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TERRIBLE DISASTER.

The Steamer Stonewall Burned on the Mississippi.

Two Hundred and Twenty-two Lives Lost.

All the Women and Children on Board Drowned or Burned.

APPALLING SCENES AT THE FIRE.

The Hay Freight Fired by the Candle of Gamblers.

Narratives of the Engineer and Other Eye-Witnesses.

Particulars of the Disaster—Passengers Drowned Within Reach of the Shore—No Life Boats on Board—Over Two Hundred Horses and Cattle Also Lost.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—A special dispatch from Carbondale, Ill., says that the steamer *Stonewall*, which left St. Louis Tuesday evening for New-Orleans, heavily laden with passengers, and horses, mules, hay and other freight generally, took fire last night when near Neely's Landing, and despite all efforts to save her was burned to the water's edge. When the fire broke out every effort was made to land, but the steamer was so heavily laden that she could not be brought nearer than 100 yards of the shore. Great confusion and terror prevailed. There were about two hundred cabin and deck passengers on board, quite a number of whom were women and children. The flames spread with great rapidity. Scores of men sprang into the water and attempted to reach the shore by swimming. Nearly all of these were lost. Every conceivable object that could be obtained was thrown into the water, and to these the passengers clung with all the tenacity of life. The steamer *Belle Memphis*, Captain CRANE, on her way to St. Louis, reached the scene during the fire and picked up from the water all that are known to be saved. The pilot, engineer, stoker, carpenter and forty-four passengers, are known to be saved. The Captain, the clerks and other officers, the deck hands and many passengers were lost. The books and papers of the boat were lost, also the cattle and other freight on board. A number of persons died after reaching the shore from exposure in the water. There was no explosion. All the women and children were lost, nearly, if not all, being burned to death. The conduct of the officers and passengers is said to have been heroic. Such an appalling scene has not been witnessed on the Mississippi for many years. The saved were kindly cared for by the officers of the *Belle Memphis* and were taken to St. Louis.

LATER.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—An interview with the assistant engineer of the ill-fated steamer, by a telegraphic correspondent at Carbondale, gets from him the following statement:

The alarm was given at 8:30 o'clock, and in ten minutes the boat was in a sheet of flame and every person had deserted her. All that were lost were drowned; none were burned. Of eleven women on board but three were saved. But one yawl was seen, and that was taken possession of by some deck passengers. No other lifeboat or life-preservers were seen. The boat grounded two hundred yards from the shore, in about six feet of water. There were forty cabin passengers, one hundred and fifty deck passengers and sixty of the crew—in all, about two hundred and fifty souls. About fifty only were saved.

Another Account—Narrative of an Eye-Witness.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 28.—Mr. PHELPS, a planter, of Shreveport, La., has arrived here from the wreck of the steamer *Stonewall*, and furnishes the following brief particulars of the terrible disaster to that boat:

The boat caught fire at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, at a point a little below Neely's Landing, and 125 miles below St. Louis, from a candle which the deck passengers had placed near some hay while they were engaged playing cards. The *Stonewall* was run on a gravel bar, the pilot supposing that the passengers could wade ashore. Unfortunately, at the end of the bar there was a slough, and here it was that the larger number were drowned. The boat was run on the bar but two feet, and the shallowest point about her had five or six feet of water. She had so much hay on board that she burned like tinder. All attempts to extinguish the fire were without avail. The *Belle Memphis* came up at 9:30 o'clock, (three hours after the accident,) and rendered all the assistance possible. Out of 202 passengers and crew only thirty are known to be saved. The last seen of Captain SCOTT he was floating down stream on a log.

The people at Neely's Landing saw the light, and hastened to assist the unfortunate passengers. One man rescued sixteen persons with a skiff. Had it not been for their help all would have been lost. A gentleman from Paducah, Ky., swam ashore with a lady on his back, and, at her entreaty, returned to save her child. While swimming ashore he was grasped by a drowning man, and was compelled to shake him off in order to save himself. One man was taken from the wreck so badly burned that he died as soon as he reached the shore. Captain DANDY, of Shreveport, La., was saved. There were thirty-nine cabin passengers and fifty of the crew. There were quite a number of ladies on board, and all are supposed to be lost except one. FUTTERSON, the pilot, and the carpenter, were the only members of the crew saved.

The *Stonewall* was owned by Captain John BOYD and DUNCAN LOWE, the latter of Louisville, and was valued at $60,000, and insured for [illegible]. She had about 600 tons of freight, including 200 horses, cattle and mules. They were insured. Captain SHAW had stopped off this trip, and Captain TOM SCOTT was in command of the boat.

The Chief Engineer's Story.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 28.—GEORGE W. FULTON, chief engineer of the steamer *Stonewall*, arrived here on the *Belle Memphis*, and gives some further particulars. Sixteen persons were saved by clinging to planks, and sixteen more swam ashore. These are all, out of between 200 and 300 souls on board, of whose positive safety there is any certainty. One manjnamed BENNETT was picked up and brought ashore, but he died soon after. The only officers of the boat known to be saved are GEORGE W. FULTON, chief engineer; EDWARD FULKERSON, pilot, and R. P. WATSON, carpenter. MONROE VANDERVERY, the steker, and CHARLES WILLIAMS and JOHN CHURCHMAN, deck hands, are also among the saved. Of the three ladies on board only one, Mrs. GREGG, was saved. Captain SCOTT was last seen floating on a spar. Men on shore rode seven miles down the stream in hopes of finding him, but he was not found. The scene on board was heartrending in the extreme. The flames spread with wonderful rapidity under the action of a strong wind, and the passengers in wild terror crowded the forecastle until forced overboard in a mass, and drowned each other in desperate struggles to free themselves. Others would jump into the water, whirl around in the strong current for an instant, and disappear forever. Mr. FULTON jumped overboard and attempted to swim ashore, but coming in contact with a number of mules he swam to, and climbed on, the wheel of the boat. While there, the steam-pipe burst, and the wheel revolved three times. He clung to it, however, and was finally taken ashore in a skiff.

CHARLES WILLIAMS, a deck hand, says he tried to smother the fire when it was first discovered, with blankets, but the wind blew so strongly he failed. An effort was made to bring the hose to play on the fire, but the crowds of the frenzied deck passengers rushed with such irresistible force upon the men having it in charge that they were obliged to give it up. WILLIAMS then threw overboard a bale of hay, and getting on it drifted to the stern of the boat, where he encountered the boat's yawl containing six men and a woman. He was taken on board, but having no oars, they could not stem the current. WILLIAMS and the woman were put ashore, and the remaining men made another attempt to reach the steamer, using the seats of the yawl for paddles, but the tide was too strong, and they were carried down the stream and were seen no more. WILLIAMS thinks there were not more than thirty persons saved, but it is hoped many were able to reach the shore at different points down the river, and that further information will show the loss of life has not been so terrible and appalling as the present advices indicate. There is no telegraph office within several miles of the scene of disaster, and no information later than 11 o'clock last night has been received.

A List of the Passengers Known to be Saved.

CAIRO, Ill., Oct. 28.—The following are the names of passengers known to be saved from the steamer *Stonewall*, furnished by W. O. Cook, of Texas, who was a passenger on the boat: N. M. Mosheros, L. L. Joan, M. Metz, M. Berry, J. Swain, N. Jones, of New-Orleans; V. Cook, M. C. Sweeness, P. Hurren, J. N. Stewart, J. Conway, Mike Kinley and brother, George Helmerons, Louis, George and Nicholas Peret, B. Peret and wife, N. H. Mosberg, L. Swan, James Schwarz, Harmon M. Phillips of Shreveport, La., J. Conerass, James Griffin, John Pierce, Dennis Moriarty, Dr. A. W. Washburn, Dr. S. B. Innis, T. H. Carroll, J. H. Layon, second engineer. Two hundred and fifty-eight persons were on board the *Stonewall* including the crew, only thirty-eight of whom are known to have been saved.

GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Fenian Amnesty and Other Irish Questions—Another Letter from Mr. Gladstone.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The Dublin Fenian Amnesty Association, at a business meeting held in that city last evening, unanimously adopted resolutions expressing regret at Mr. GLADSTONE'S refusal to release the Fenian prisoners, and declaring their determination to continue the agitation and to form local associations throughout the country.

The *Times* to-day, in an article on the clamor for Fenian amnesty, says: "Many Governments as well as that of England formerly regarded rebellion as transcending all other crimes, and as one to be punished beyond them all. The British Government now looks upon it as more fraught than ordinary crimes with ruinous consequences to the peace and prosperity of the country, as springing from the same intractability of temper and selfish disregard of the welfare of others which prompt common illegalities, and as requiring the same standard of punishment. When it is demonstrated that the Fenians have harder work, worse food and harsher treatment than other convicts, it will be time to accuse Mr. GLADSTONE of being less sensitive to injustice when practiced on his fellow-countrymen than when inflicted on foreigners. While the [Government refuses to act toward rebellion as if it were simply virtue misdirected, Mr. GLADSTONE can afford to treat with indifference the imputation that he has turned renegade from his generous principles of 1851."

DUBLIN, Oct. 28.—Mr. GLADSTONE has written a letter to the Town Council of this city, expressing his satisfaction, and that of his colleagues, at the approval given by the City of Dublin to their conduct in regard to the Irish Church legislation during the last session of Parliament. Mr. GLADSTONE acknowledges the solemn obligations he is under to deal to the best of his ability with other subjects affecting the welfare of Ireland. With respect to the Fenians, he says, it would have been more agreeable to the Government to give effect to a desire for clemency founded on the most honorable motives. The subject is then considered in all its bearings and the reasons given for denying an amnesty.

Sir JOHN GRAY, M. P., informed the Council that he believed Mr. GLADSTONE's personal desire was to release the Fenian prisoners. He knew the Premier was determined to settle the land question in the effective manner in which he had settled the Church question, and that he was resolved to abolish the exterminating policy of the landlords.

President Grant and the Gold Speculators—English Holders of American Railway Shares—Infringement of an American Patent.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The *Post*, commenting on the action of General GRANT, in regard to the gold speculations, says:

"The habits and life of President GRANT are a sure guarantee that he will do his duty impartially to all parties. His character as a soldier will protect him from temptations to which those who make politics a trade frequently yield. His judgment as a statesman remains to be tried. Thus far he has given evidence of statesmanlike prudence and good temper. The temporary failure of the *Alabama* negotiations led him to wisely postpone the reopening of the subject. The course he has pursued with respect to Cuba, proves that however anxious for aggrandizement the Union is, he is resolved to observe faithfully the duties prescribed by international law."

The English holders of the Atlantic and Great Western and the Erie Railroad Shares are organizing for the purpose of bringing suit in the American Courts in prosecution of their claims.

EDINBURGH, Oct. 28.—In the Court of Sessions to-day WILLCOX & GIBBS obtained a verdict against WILLIAM STERLING & SONS, of Glasgow, for damages and costs for infringement of their patent, and a prohibition of the defendants from further infringement.

FRANCE.

The Directorship of the Press—Commodore Worden in Paris—Violations of the Press Law.

PARIS, Oct. 28.—M. GIRAUDEAU has been appointed to the Directorship of the Press, *vice* M. LANGLE.

Commodore WORDEN, of the United States Navy, has arrived here.

The Ministers have decided not to prosecute the Press for any of the recent violations of the Press law.

AUSTRIA.

The Recent Duel in Paris—Prince Metternich Censured.

PARIS, Oct. 28.—The Austrian Government censures Prince METTERNICH for his connection with the recent duel.

FIRES.

Another Fire at the Coal Mines—A Coal Breaker Burned.

SCRANTON, Penn., Oct. 28.—About 10 o'clock last night the breaker of the Upper Lehigh Coal Company, situated about seven miles from White Haven, was burned to the ground. Labor on the works had been stopped for several days, with the exception of pumping, and the belief is expressed that the fire was the work of an incendiary. The property is insured for $30,000, in the following companies: Yonkers, of New-York, $2,500; Franklin, Philadelphia, $2,500; Manhattan, of Hanover, N. Y., $2,500; Farmers', of New-York, $2,500; Manhattan, of New-York, $2,000; Hartford, $2,500; North America, of Philadelphia, $2,500; Home, of New-York, $2,500; Phenix, of Hartford, $2,500; North America, of New-York, $2,500.

A Flouring Mill at Bath, N. Y., Burned—A Fire in Marion, Ind.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Oct. 28.—OGDEN'S flour-mill, at Bath, Steuben County, was destroyed by fire last night. The loss is $20,000.

MARION, Ind., Oct. 28.—The large hub and spoke factory of C. S. TIBBETS & Co., at Marion, Ind., was burned last night. The loss was $82,000, and the insurance $16,000.

THE MORMON CHURCH.

A Dangerous Schism—The Editors and Proprietors of the Utah Magazine Suspended.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—The following is an extract from a private letter from a well-informed gentleman living in Salt Lake to one of the editors of the Chicago *Tribune*:

"The schism, of which you may have heard while here, is working. STENHOUSE and all the editors and proprietors of the *Utah Magazine* have been suspended, and if they stand firm (and they will) they will be cut off. It is only valuable as showing what may be expected when the overpowering will and intellect of BRIGHAM YOUNG shall have been removed—a revolution proceeding from the heart of the Church itself, enthroning the majority of the people instead of God, of course letting drop the absurd idea of daily revelations as its basis, polygamy and the preposterous scheme of empire to which they are now so fanatically devoted, would go."

Mr. STENHOUSE, named in the above extract, is editor of the Salt Lake *Telegraph*, and has been for many years one of BRIGHAM YOUNG's most trusted friends and ardent admirers. His daughter is one of the wives of JOSEPH YOUNG, BRIGHAM's eldest son. The editors of the *Magazine* are wealthy and influential.

THE CROPS.

Preliminary Report From the Department of Agriculture—Better Prospects for Corn—Increase of the Cotton Area.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—The Department of Agriculture has just issued a preliminary report of the condition of the crops. It says:

The great agricultural lesson of the season inculcates the necessity of draining and thorough culture. It is not an exaggeration to estimate the reduction this season, from the alternate drowning and scorching of farm crops, at $200,000,000. The general apprehension of a serious failure in the corn crop of the more Northern States has been materially modified by the sunny weather in September, and exemption from killing frosts to Oct. 1. Early frosts, in some portions of the Eastern and Middle States, checked ripening and left the frosted field in an immature and damaged condition. But the injury is comparatively slight in extent and limited in area, as the whole crop has had an unusually favorable maturing season, resulting in a very gratifying amelioration of the prospects for a supply of this important staple. Yet a full crop, which should not be less than 1,150,000,000 bushels, can by no means be expected. When the harvest is over and the local estimates are completed, the aggregate will attest a moderate yield, amply sufficient for all the wants of the country. Had the Spring wheat been equal to the Winter, the whole crop would be enormous. Throughout the South the yield is unusually large and the quality excellent. Texas and Mississippi are somewhat less conspicuous sharers in this improvement than other States in that section. In Illinois the counties reporting an increase equivalent to ten per cent. or more are almost, without exception, in the southern part of the State [below the fortieth parallel—the Winter wheat region. Those claiming eight-tenths of a crop or less are, with one or two exceptions, Spring wheat counties. Indiana grows a larger proportion of Winter wheat, and consequently this year produced a much better average yield than Illinois. Many of the counties return high figures. The area of cotton cultivation was increased last Spring fully sixteen per cent. More than a million acres were added to the cultivated area. Fertilizers were liberally used in the Atlantic States, and improved implements were to some extent employed. Barely has there been a better season for oats than the present—very few of the States returning a less increase than ten per cent., and some giving thirty or thirty-five per cent. The season has been too dry for either kind of potatoes in the South and on the Atlantic coast to New-York. New-England generally has a good crop, and it is unusually good in the West, with the exception of Minnesota. The product of sweet potatoes is manifestly increased. A slight increase is reported in the aggregate numbers of fattening cattle, as well as in their average condition. Some of the States fail to maintain a full average, among which are New-York, New-Jersey, Kentucky and Illinois.

Woman's Suffrage—The Convention at Hartford.

HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 28.—A Woman's Suffrage Convention assembled in the Opera House in force this forenoon, and Rev. N. J. BURTON, of this city, was called on to preside. Prayer was offered by Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER. After singing by the HUTCHINSON Family, Mrs. CAROLINE M. SEVERANCE, of Boston, read a long essay. Miss SUSAN B. ANTHONY, of New-York, addressed the Convention. The attendance is large and includes many advocates of woman's suffrage from various parts of the country. This afternoon Mrs. MARY A. LIVERMORE, of Chicago, addressed a large audience, and this evening Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER made an address and Mrs. JULIA WARD HOWE read a poem. The Convention will continue through to-morrow and to-morrow evening.

Lake Disasters—Vessels Ashore in Lake Ontario.

OSWEGO, Oct. 28.—The bark *Water Witch*, of Montreal, with scrap iron, from Kingston for Cleveland, foundered off South Bay, Lake Ontario, on Sunday morning. The crew came ashore in the small boats.

PORT COLBORNE, Canada, Oct. 28.—Schooner *William Rogers*, with cargo of pig-iron, for Cleveland, went ashore at Morgan's Point, six miles from here, last night in a snow-storm. It is thought she will be got off without much damage.

Another schooner, name unknown, is reported ashore near the Beaver.

Schooner *Jamaica* ran into this port, with the loss of sails and rigging.

A Fashionable Wedding in Philadelphia—The President Present—Movements of General Grant.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 28.—J. RILEY WEAVER, United States Consul at Brindisi, Italy, and a daughter of Bishop SIMPSON, were married last night, at the Methodist Episcopal Church, at Twentieth and Spring Garden streets. Among the guests were the President, Mrs. GRANT and daughter NELLIE, General DENT and EATON, Senator CATTELL, Mayor FOX, and other notables. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers and crowded with friends. The presence of the President attracted great crowds, both in front of the church and at the residence of Bishop SIMPSON, on Mount Vernon-street, where the reception took place later in the evening. The bridal presents were very valuable. The happy pair will leave on Saturday in the steamer for Europe.

President GRANT, accompanied by Ex-Secretary BORIE and Senator CATTELL, visited the Commercial Exchange this morning, shook hands with the merchants and departed without being required to make a speech. He spent the rest of the morning in visiting objects of interest, and this evening is to attend the Sabbath School jubilee for the benefit of the home for destitute members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at the Academy of Music.

At 11 o'clock this evening Breck's Band proceeded to the residence of Ex-Secretary BORIE and serenaded President GRANT, who appeared and returned his thanks for the compliment. It is believed the President will return to Washington on Friday.

West Virginia Election—A Light Vote.

WHEELING, W. Va., Oct. 28.—The election for representatives to the Legislature passed off quietly throughout the State. The vote is light, and the returns are not sufficient at this hour to indicate the result. The Democrats have increased their majority in the city and in Parkersburg. Returns from Ohio County indicate the election of the entire Democratic ticket over what was known as the "Let Up" Republicans, who advocate the repeal of the Disfranchise law and test oath, &c.

WASHINGTON.

A Claim for Mining Lands in California—The President's Letter to Judge Dent on the Mississippi Election—General Belknap's Arrival—The Census and Other Matters.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—One of the numerous cases in which WILLIAM MCGARRAHAN is plaintiff, and by which he hopes to establish his claim to a valuable tract of land in California, was before the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia to-day. In January MCGARRAHAN made application for a *mandamus* to compel Mr. BROWNING, the then Secretary of the Interior, to issue him a patent for the land claimed. Mr. BROWNING denied the jurisdiction of the Court, but by an arrangement between counsel it was agreed that the judgment of the Court upon the application might be rendered in vacation, as of the January term, 1869. Meantime Mr. COX became Secretary of the Interior, and on July 2, the May term having intervened, an order or decree for the *mandamus* was entered by Judges FISHER and OLIN. Secretary COX now asks that the writ may be quashed: First, one the ground of irregularity, as too much time had been permitted to elapse between the application and the date of the judgment, a court term having intervened; and second, because the judgment was in violation of the act of Congress upon which MCGARRAHAN bases his claim, which excepts from the right of purchase therein given all lands containing mines of gold, silver, or cinnabar, and as the new Idria Mines Company had filed a claim for a cinnabar mine thereon. The motion to quash the writ was reserved for future action.

JUDGE DENT AND THE PRESIDENT.

The following is a copy of the letter of the President to Judge DENT, written just before the nomination of the latter by the Conservatives of Mississippi, and to which allusion has heretofore been made:

LONG BRANCH, Aug. 1, 1869.

DEAR JUDGE: I am so thoroughly satisfied in my own mind that the success of the so-called Conservative Republican Party in Mississippi would result in the defeat of what I believe to be for the best interest of the State and the country, that I have determined to say so to you in writing. Of course I know or believe that your intentions are good in accepting the nomination from the Conservative Party. I would regret to see you run for office and be defeated by my act, but, as matters now look, I must throw the weight of my influence in favor of the party opposed to you. I earnestly hope that before the election there will be such concessions on either side in Mississippi as to unite all true supporters in the State of reconstruction and the Administration in support of one ticket. [Here follows a paragraph of a private nature, and the letter then concludes as follows:] I write this to you solely that you may not be under any wrong impression as to what I regard, or may hereafter regard, as my public duty. Personally, I wish you well, and would do all in my power proper to be done to secure your success, but in public matters personal feelings will not influence me. My kindest regards. Yours truly, U. S. GRANT.

Judge DENT writes to a friend that a paragraph of this letter is all that he has used on the stump, to show the friendship of the President for him.

ARRIVAL OF GENERAL BELKNAP.

General BELKNAP, the new Secretary of War, arrived here this evening. He was met at the depot by Colonel T. M. DAXTON, of General SHERMAN'S staff, and drove at once to the latter's residence, whose guest he will remain for the present. General BELKNAP is in fine health and spirits.

THE CENSUS.

The concluding accounts of the expenses of the Eighth Census have been fully stated, and show the cost of that work to have been $1,535,094 64, against $1,318,037 62, which was the cost of taking the Seventh Census. Pertinent to this subject it may be stated that the paper on the Census, read by General GARFIELD before the Social Science Association last night, embodies, to a considerable extent, the ideas which he will submit to Congress in his report on the subject of the Ninth Census, as Chairman of the Select Committee appointed to consider that matter. The essay derives unusual importance from this fact.

DIRECT TAX COMMISSIONERS.

The Direct Tax Commissioners have finally closed their accounts, and the amount paid during the past fiscal year for their expenditures was $7,051 79.

THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY.

Hon. H. R. HULBURD, Comptroller of the Currency, returned to-day from the West, after an absence of a month.

RETURN OF SOLICITOR BANFIELD.

Solicitor BANFIELD returned from New-York to-day, and reported to the Secretary of the Treasury. The nature of his disclosures or discoveries has not transpired.

CITY MAIL DELIVERY AND COLLECTION.

During the past fiscal year there were delivered by the letter carriers in the fifty principal cities where the service has been established, 80,071,052 mail letters, 15,880,627 local letters, and 21,854,052 newspapers. The entire cost of the service was $1,188,815 81, which includes the collection of letters from the street boxes.

THE NICKEL FIVE CENT COIN.

Such large amounts of nickel coin have accumulated in the Post Offices and the several depositories, that Secretary BOUTWELL to-day issued an order for their redemption by the Treasury, which he is authorized to do in his discretion by law. It is not intended to diminish the circulation of this coin, but to open a way for the depositories who receive them to dispose of them. They will be supplied as usual from the Mint in amounts of $100.

MEXICAN MAHOGANY AND CEDAR.

The Treasury Department is in receipt of information to the effect that the Mexican Government has made a reduction of twenty-five per cent. in the export duty upon mahogany and cedar from that Government.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

COUNTERFEIT LAW STAMPS.

Commissioner DELANO has received a large lot of well-counterfeited stamps, such as are used for legal purposes, from California.

TOBACCO SEIZED.

Supervisor FULTON informs the Bureau of seizures of tobacco, fraudulently transported from Virginia as eggs, packed in trunks or boxes, weighing, in some cases, 200 pounds.

RESIGNATION.

JAMES W. WILSON, of Indiana, one of the Pacific Railroad Commissioners, has resigned.

WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Upon the recommendation of the Secretary of the Interior, the President has accepted a section of sixty-three miles of the Western Pacific Railroad, and ordered the bonds due on account of the construction thereof to be issued to the Company.

THE NEW CIRCUITS.

Hon. EBON C. INGERSOLL, of Illinois, is favorably mentioned by his friends for appointment as Circuit Judge under the new law for the Circuit composed of Indiana, Northern Illinois and Wisconsin.

DIPLOMATIC EXPENSES.

Salaries of Our Ministers Abroad—Excess of Consular Fees Over Salaries—Report of the Fifth Auditor—Other Expenditures.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 28.—The forthcoming report of the Fifth Auditor of the Treasury contains the following statement of expenses of Missions abroad for salaries, contingencies and loss by exchange from July 1, 1868, to June 30, 1869, as shown by accounts adjusted in that office:

Austria—Salaries, $17,365 57; contingencies, $63 75.
Belgium—Salaries, $8,118 17; contingencies, $1,154 75.
Bolivia—Salaries, $1,269 67; contingencies, $62 25.
Brazil—Salaries, $9,000.
Chili—Salaries, $8,413 75; contingencies, $469 75.
China—Salaries, $1,500; loss by exchange, $1,411.
Costa Rica—Salary, $7,316 67; contingencies, $233 34.
Denmark—Salary, $5,625; contingencies, $138 47.
Ecuador—Salary, $1,000.
France—Salary, $36,457 42; contingencies, $3,804 94.
Great Britain—Salary, $21,021 52; contingencies, $1,766 54.
Guatemala—Salary, $3,119 12; contingencies, $615 13; loss by exchange, $246 75.
Hawaiian Islands—Salaries, $6,000; contingencies, $169.
Honduras—Salary, $412.
Italy—Salary, $10,267; contingencies, $410.
Japan—Salary, $10,000; contingencies, $251; loss by exchange, $973 94.
Liberia—Salary, $2,850 64; contingencies, $127.
Mexico—Salary, $11,323 83; contingencies, $1,[illegible] 32.
Netherlands—Salary, $7,500; contingencies, $232 38.
Nicaragua—Salary, $7,958; contingencies, $297.
Paraguay—Salary, $10,414; contingencies, $776; loss by exchange, [illegible].
Peru—Salary, $10,782 50; contingencies, $671; loss by exchange, $321.
Portugal—Salary, $970 35; contingencies, $138 85; loss by exchange, $21 35.
Prussia—Salary, $12,000; contingencies, $1,023.
Russia—Salary, $12,000; contingencies, $322 88.
Salvador—Salary, $7,500; contingencies, $168 61; loss by exchange, $212.
Spain—Salary, $12,000; contingencies, $2,712; loss by exchange, $112.
Sweden—Salary, $6,820; contingencies, $230.
Switzerland—Salary, $6,118; contingencies, $415.
Turkey—Salary, $7,500; contingencies, $90 70; loss by exchange, $268.
United States of Colombia—Salary, $7,500; contingencies, $1,261.
Venezuela—Salary, $5,224 80; contingencies, $472 73; loss by exchange, $64 [illegible].

The salaries paid to the Judges and arbitrators under the provisions of the treaty with Great Britain of April 7, 1868, aggregate for the same period $7,876, with an expenditure for contingencies at New-York of $403.

The grand total for all expenses of Missions abroad for that time is $616,527 76.

The statement of consular returns shows an excess of fees over salaries and loss by exchange of $83,971 95, for the fiscal year ending June 30.

A statement showing the amount expended by Consular officers of the United States for the relief of American seamen at the Consulates; the amount received by them as extra wages of discharged seamen, and the amount of loss in exchange incurred in drawing for balances due, gives an excess of disbursement over receipts amounting to $23,527.

The report also shows that during the year 1,000 seamen were sent to the United States from foreign ports; the amount of money paid for their passage being $11,854.

Amount expended by United States Consuls on account of criminal seamen, $1,366 85.

Amount refunded to citizens, seamen, or their representatives, directly from the United States Treasury during the year, the several sums having been previously received at the Consulates, $4,047 96.

Department accounts, &c., received and allowed during the year, State, $633,208 94.

CALEB CUSHING, Commissioner of the Joint Commission of the Hudson Bay and Puget Sound Companies, claims $4,780.

ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, Commissioner of the Northwest Boundary Survey, for running the Northwest boundary line, claims $9,333 37.

Interior Department	$35,217 20
Patent Office	127,027 55
Post Office	301,163 22

Labor Organization Among the Colored Men—Different Trades to be Represented at Washington.

A very large meeting of colored citizens was held last evening at Zion Church, Bleecker-street, to take into consideration the subject of sending delegates to the National Labor Convention, at Washington.

A series of seven resolutions was submitted by the Committee appointed at the former meeting. The first fixes the name of the organization as the "New-York City Labor Council," and declares that it shall be the duty of each member "to exercise vigilance and perseverance in securing employment and business to each member in whatever department of labor he or she may be engaged, and to advocate the cause of an equal right to labor with all other classes of our fellow-citizens." The second provides for the appointment of delegates to the National Labor Convention. The third instructs those delegates to urge "the necessity of recommending to the colored men and women of this country the vast importance of immediately acquiring the possession of lands and homesteads of their own, and for accomplishing that end, to make every necessary personal sacrifice, to exercise the greatest diligence in business, and practice rigid economy in their social and domestic arrangement." The fourth urged the encouragement of the mechanical branches of industry among the colored people "by the establishment of workshops by those who have trades, and the thorough instruction of apprentices in every department of skilled labor now known among us, by the employment of colored artisans, and by a more general patronage of colored mechanics." Fifth,

Resolved, That the exclusion of colored persons in this City from the right to labor in almost every department of industry, is a strong evidence of the power which the spirit of slavery and caste still holds over the minds of our white fellow-citizens, and in alike disgusting to them as American citizens and deeply injurious to us, who, by fourteen years of several wars for the independence or the dignity of the country, and have sacrificed or imperilled our lives with them for the maintenance of the Government and the unity of the States.

The resolutions were adopted seriatim without debate.

Rev. WM. F. BUTLER proposed that it be ascertained what branches of industry were represented in the meeting, and it was found that carpenters, ship carpenters, house carpenters, of which there are 2,000 in the City, wheelwrights, engineers, seamen, porters, smelters, refiners, machinists, market makers, bakers and pastrymen, tobacco twisters, coachmen, gentlemen and boatbreakers. The engineers and whom men (waiters) have organized associations. It was determined that each of the various classes of industry be requested to choose one delegate, and that the body thus constituted meet on Tuesday evening, Nov. 9, and select the delegates who shall represent the colored workingmen of this City at Washington.

Strike of the Telegraphers—A Compromise Effected.

The operators of the Franklin Telegraph Company, who had been on a strike since Tuesday noon, held a meeting yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Communications were received from operators in St. Louis, Chicago, Pittsburg, and other cities, expressing their approval and sympathy, and offering material aid. Mr. LEANING, the chief operator of the Franklin Company, who had remained at his post, was sent for, and explained his position by saying that he was with them heart and hand, but remained at his desk because he thought he could serve them better in the office than out. His explanation was received as satisfactory, and he was allowed to return to his place.

Another meeting was held at 2:30 P. M., when additional communications were read, pledging the sympathy and support of the telegraph operators in various parts of the country. It was announced that Mr. SMITH, the Superintendent, had made overtures for a compromise, and a Committee of five was appointed to return to their desks and relieve him from the pressure of business until an interview could be had and some definite terms fixed upon. When this Committee had announced the action of the meeting through Mr. LEANING, and taken their places at the desks, Mr. SMITH addressed a note to Mr. LEANING, to be read to the operators, expressing his gratification at this concession, and his willingness to meet Mr. LEANING as a Committee on their part and give substantial proof of his appreciation of their course. A Committee of three, consisting of Mr. LEANING, Mr. DE MOLL and Mr. MILLS, was appointed to meet Mr. SMITH, and the meeting adjourned until 4:30 P. M.

On the reassembling of the strikers the Committee reported a schedule of salaries proposed by Mr. SMITH, according to which those who formerly received $50 per month were offered $100, $75 salaries were to be increased to $65 per month, $70 to $60, $62 to $75, $60 to $70 and $60 to $62, and all the men were to be reinstated in New-York, Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore. Mr. LEANING earnestly recommended that this proposition be accepted, declaring that he believed it to be as liberal as the Company could afford, and the best that could be hoped for. It was unanimously agreed to accept Mr. SMITH's offer and report for duty this morning at 9 o'clock. Three cheers were given for Mr. SMITH, and votes of thanks to Mr. LEANING, the officers of the meeting and the operators in other cities who had shown their sympathy, were passed.

Collision on the North River.

A serious collision occurred last evening upon the Hudson River, just off Chambers-street. The Pavonia ferry-boat called the *Delaware*, and the *Morristown*, of the Hoboken line, then moving in opposite directions, were about to pass each other when they collided. They had stopped to allow one to go by, but soon afterward, under the impression that each would wait for the other, both started simultaneously. The result was the collision. One side of the steamer *Morristown* was wholly torn away, and she was otherwise seriously injured. The damage done to her will amount to about $1,500. The passengers were much frightened, and for some time intense excitement prevailed among them.

TAXATION.

Practical Suggestions to the Secretary of the Treasury—Necessity of a Thorough Revision of the Tariff—The Repeal of the Income Tax Demanded—Reform in Our Custom House Routine Proposed.

The following letter on National Taxation and Finance, has been addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury by Mr. NATHANIEL SANDS, of this City:

NEW-YORK, Oct. 24, 1869.

Hon. George S. Boutwell, Secretary of the Treasury, Washington, D. C.:

DEAR SIR: The undersigned respectfully invites the attention of the Honorable the Secretary of the Treasury to the facts and suggestions herewith submitted.

After the exciting and exhausting struggle through which we have passed, a struggle without a parallel in history for its magnitude and cost in blood and treasure and the numbers of men suddenly withdrawn from industrial life, we need rest to recuperate our strength and resources, a rest which wise rulers well know how to give.

THE COST OF THE WAR.

The country has undergone so severe a strain that its condition demands the most careful consideration of every subject connected with taxation and revenue. The total expenditures of the General Government from the commencement of the war until the close of the fiscal year, June, 1869, amounted to $7,092,490,000, or in round numbers, $9,000,000,000, besides some $900,000,000, which has been raised by the various States. This enormous sum has been fully paid, except $2,000,000,000, which was at the above date the entire amount of the public debt.

This is wholly irrespective of the enormous waste of blood and treasure on the part of the rebels. Nearly $6,000,000,000, then, were raised and paid by the loyal States alone, within the above period. Nor is this all of the $2,000,000,000 owed by the country on the 30th June, 1869. All except the portion held abroad had been raised and paid by the industry of the country. This truth cannot be too forcibly impressed upon the public mind.

BORROWING FROM THE PEOPLE.

There may be, there undoubtedly are, occasions when a resort to loans on the part of a Government is alike necessary and judicious. Especially is this the case when the loans can be obtained abroad, so as not to abstract the capital of the country from industrial pursuits, but when (as was the case with the greater part of our loans) they can only be raised within the country, then only in rare and extreme cases should a resort to loans be made.

Such a rare and extreme case existed during our war; it may even be conceded that these loans afforded employment for the capital of those who could spare to lend it, (at the moment when, by the withdrawal of a large portion of the people from industrial life, great commercial disturbance would otherwise have been occasioned) affording relief to others who would have been greatly inconvenienced by being called on to pay in taxes the amount produced by the loans, and thus it happened in effect that the amount loaned was lent by those who could spare it to those who could not. But it must not be forgotten that the amount thus raised by loan, and for which the country now remains indebted was, in so far as it was raised within the country, actually drawn from the then existing resources of the country exactly as much as though it had been raised by taxation, and when the citizen soldiers returned to productive industry the want of the capital which had been expended to preserve the Union was, and is still, severely felt.

These considerations seem to show that the holding of our debt abroad, instead of being a calamity, is the thing most to be desired, as bringing back to us that capital we so need and which can be employed so much more profitably here than in countries where labor and consequently capital are less productive.

HOW THE PUBLIC DEBT WAS INCURRED.

The enormous sums raised and expended by the Government during the war up to the 30th June, 1869, were provided by the following sources:

Internal revenue	$1,129,128,076
Direct taxes	12,916,791
Customs	898,029,316
Public lands	8,077,090
Miscellaneous	320,791,000
Loans and Treasury notes	5,670,121,203

But these figures, large as they are in reality, represent only a small portion of the real cost of the war. Nearly two millions of men were engaged on both sides—and these men were not only withdrawn from productive industry, occasioning thereby an enormous daily loss, they were not only continuing to consume the corn, grain, cotton, rice, tobacco, cloth, iron, lumber, coal and other minerals which they ceased to produce, but they were nearly all converted into active and energetic destroyers of whatever they could not otherwise consume. Railroads, mills and factories which represented the accumulated labor of millions of lives, and by which future labor should have been economized, were ruthlessly destroyed expressly to cut off the means of future production; so that by the time peace came at last the country had to reconquer from nature the spoils which it had cost so much labor to acquire in the past. As the public debt on the 30th of June, 1866 was only twenty-six hundred and odd millions, and the entire amount raised by taxation from the commencement of the war up to the same date was some twenty-two hundred millions, it is obvious that a large portion of the original amount ($2,000,000,000) of loans and Treasury notes represents borrowings and renewal of loans which all the waste and expense attendant thereon.

The condition of

yearly saving under the head of pensions and families ought to be some millions of dollars. The interest on the debt was only be materially diminished by the reducing steps to the public credit. The reduction of expenditure, as above indicated, will be an important step to this end, but the most effectual will be the establishment of the currency on a fixed and durable basis. What that basis ought to be I do not now propose to inquire; but, in view of the prevailing sentiment on the subject, I would urge upon Congress the necessity of making it a matter of early and searching inquiry.

No one will doubt that to such wild speculation as recently occurred in this City a stop ought in some way to be put, for it is a disgrace to civilyte of sovereign legitimate trade; it is gambling and ruins honest traders. How to put a stop to it is a difficult problem, so the politics whereof a Committee of Congress might usefully direct its inquiries. One observation only I will make, viz., that if do not believe any penal or restrictive laws will be of the slightest benefit.

A SPECIAL COMMISSION RECOMMENDED.

Perhaps in view of the multitudinous interests already engaging the attention of Congress a special commission might be appointed, composed of men the most eminent in the departments of knowledge necessary to the elucidation of the different questions to be submitted to it—men who, unbiased by any personal interests, could take up the whole subject with enlarged and practical views. The receipts from income tax are classed under the head of internal revenue and distinct from direct tax. This is calculated to mislead. Of all taxes none can be more "direct" in effect than an income tax, and since in the enumeration of the requirements of the Constitution it is found necessary to distinguish direct taxes from other sources of internal revenue, the income tax ought to take its place among the former.

THE INCOME TAX UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

This leads to the discovery of a very serious objection to the income tax to which Congress has failed to pay just attention, although much discussed among the people. By clause 3 of section 2, article 1 of the Constitution it is provided that representation and direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included in this Union, according to their respective numbers, and, by the fourth clause of the ninth section, article 1, "no capitation or other direct tax shall be laid, unless in proportion to the census or enumeration hereinbefore directed to be taken."

The acts establishing the income tax pay no regard to either of these provisions of the Constitution, and although "the laws per force are silent mid the clash of arms," no time should be now lost in restoring the limits prescribed by the Constitution.

Much of the legislation during the war was hasty, and enacted under peculiarly exciting circumstances, and experience teaches us that hasty legislation is but too often unsound. To repair the mischief thus occasioned is one of the earliest duties of Congress, now that peace has resumed her sway.

It may well be doubted whether, under any circumstances, even if the constitutional provisions as to direct taxes were to be altered, an income tax would be a wise one for this country. The inquisitorial features of an income tax are so objectionable to the free spirit of our people, its character is so foreign to our genius, so fitted rather for despotic countries, that such an act should not be retained on the statute book one day longer than the most imperative exigencies of the Government demand, and should not be resorted to for cause of extravagancy; while that respect due to law and the Constitution without which no people can be, or deserves to be free, calls upon us forthwith to repeal a law which seems to violate the letter and spirit of the Constitution.

I believe the amount realized by the income tax ought to be applied in reduction of the reductions already suggested; but if the Secretary should deem otherwise, a substitute can be readily found in a slight increase in the tax on sales—a tax the fairest and least burdensome of any that can be suggested, and at the same time one of the least susceptible of evasion.

A striking lesson is taught in the items of revenue obtained from the public lands—falling off from $1,778,838 in 1859 to $152,204 and $167,617 in 1861-62 and 1862-63. It rose to $4,020,288 in 1868-69; and although the welfare of the people and country is far more promoted by a large increase in the receipts from the public lands than by presumption, the amount of the latter is found to be a best and faithful indication of the progress of the former.

EXTENDING THE BASIS OF TAXATION.

It is by the encouragement of immigration that the great field for progress is to be tended; the class of laborious and thrifty men who come to us from Germany, Great Britain, Sweden and other countries add mediately and immediately to our resources and to the productiveness of labor within the Union, extending at the same time the national basis of taxation, and lightening the burden for all.

One great obstacle in the way of this immigration is the present high cost of all manufactured commodities, the causes of which deserve patient investigation.

But the greatest relief to be afforded to commerce, and the most encouragement to immigration, and, at the same time, the largest reductions to the revenue are to be obtained by a judicious revision of the tariff.

REVISION OF THE TARIFF.

The question of free trade or protection is likely to form an agitating topic of discussion for some years, and is probably destined finally to effect a complete reorganization of political parties. I believe the truth is to be found midway between the extremists on either side, and that that amount of protection of industry should be doubly which will serve to diversify employments and bring the market close to the producer, so as to relieve the latter from the severest of all taxes, the tax of transportation. But while fully impressed with the necessity of protection to industry against competition with the poorly-paid labor of Europe and Asia, so as to prevent the former from falling to a level with the latter, I cannot blind myself to the fact that the existing tariff is the result of special legislation, quite as much as the class legislation of Southern days. In Europe, legislation has been directed to increase the wealth and power of the large landed proprietors, it has in this country been but too often dictated by many influential capitalists or bodies of capitalists.

We all know how, during the reign of the Stuarts in particular, monopolies were created in England, one after another, in favor of this or that favorite, or illegitimate child of the King, or of some powerful noble; all sought to enrich themselves by going to the Crown for leave to pillage the people in some special direction, generally offering a share of the spoils to the King, as in the case of those bubble companies (the charters whereof were purchased by Lords Clarlow and Chetwynd, of George I., or still more notoriously of the Bank of England, whose monopoly exists to this day, preventing the development of sound banking in the United Kingdom, imposing a tax on the most effective means for facilitating interchange, and imposing a daily and enormous burden upon the people of England little suspected by them.

Our own modern fiscal legislation affords a remarkable illustration of the meanness of human nature in every clime and at all times; how those who are intrusted with power are apt to abuse it, and how man will seek to enrich himself at his neighbor's cost when they can, instead of by honest industry by which all are benefited, most of all the industrious. One class after another has gone to Washington to lobby for an increased duty on its own special product of labor, to the prejudice of the rest of the community, upon whom a tax is thereby imposed for the benefit, not of the protected interest, but of the few capitalists who either have stocks on hand or who by the means of immediately producing them, thus at the same time diminishing the revenue and impoverishing the country, of which the present condition of the shipbuilding trade is a striking illustration.

A careful revision of the tariff is then absolutely necessary; extravagances which have grown up the result of lobby influences should be cut off; many articles, especially those which enter as raw products into the manufacture of other commodities, should be admitted free of duty, and on nearly all the duties should be materially reduced, both for the purpose of increasing the revenue and of lightening the burdens upon the commerce of the country.

CUSTOM HOUSE REFORM.

A very great relief could also be effected by a reform in our Custom House routine. Simplicity is the very essence of honest administration, and is perfectly compatible with a system of checks ample for every purpose of supervision and control. At present so great is the complexity that it is impossible to transact business at the Custom House without the aid of a broker.

The adoption of measures such as I have above indicated would tend to the establishment of the currency of the country on a firm basis, and by which the credit of the Government would be indefinitely raised, would render easy the conversion of the public debt into a four per cent. consolidated stock, thereby reducing, by over $40,000,000, the annual charge for interest, and enabling further reductions of taxations to be made; while the excess of receipts of each year being applied in reduction of the debt, and the taxes becoming each year more productive—notwithstanding their continual diminution in rate, owing to the more extensive area over which they are spread and the rapid development of our resources, we should see, within the space of a single generation, our debt extinguished, without burden or oppression to the people.

When it is borne in mind that the annual revenue now derived from distilled spirits alone is $64,000,000; from tobacco $32,000,000; and from customs $180,000,000 in gold, coming from these three sources $267,000,000; that, as will now be apparent, the expenses of carrying on the Government can safely be reduced to $56,000,000, and the interest upon the national debt to $60,000,000, (so soon as our restored credit enables the debt to be converted,) thus making the total expense of the Government $116,000,000, it will readily be seen and appreciated by the people how much taxation can be safely reduced, and the staggering load under which they are bowed down be lifted at once from their shoulders.

Our national credit will be felt more readily appreciated by an able and wise administration of our finances than by an over-anxious and exhausting effort to pay the debt. The debt of England is nearly double our own, while our developed and developing resources are more than fourfold greater than here, and yet while she is not diminishing her debt a single pound sterling, her credit is rated 115 per cent. better than our own! Unshaken confidence in England's integrity is the main cause of this. With direct economy in all departments of government, and the low rates of taxation which would at once be inaugurated, the very best evidence of reputation that a new nation can have would be elicited forever, and

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stand the highest in the world. The great question is not as to a few millions more or less in the amount of the debt, but faith in the honor and integrity of the nation. Distribute the burden wisely, and the people will bear it as cheerfully and as gladly as they spend their earnings for the support of their own children. The record of the American people for patriotism, for self-sacrifice, for self-sacrifice, for charity, for bearing heavy and unexampled burdens, is unsurpassed by the history of any nation in ancient or modern times. They who have trusted all have been enriched by their confidence, and those who doubted so attend a golden opportunity for more than doubling their capital. The German banker upon the Rhine congratulates himself, while the English banker on the Thames may well regret opportunities never again to return for buying our securities for less than cost. Let these be vindicated while the debt exists well to consider that it is by no means an unmixed evil, but presents some advantages to the community. First it tends to enforce greater economy, the great of all governments; it tends to make it respected and conservative—it tends to make the people feel their Government and watch it carefully and hold the public servants to a strict accountability;—it tends to develop interest in the administration of the Government itself; it tends to consolidate the Union through a large financial interest; it furnishes a ready and profitable mode of investing capital. The Government securities are invaluable for banking purposes, for life and trust companies, and for the secure transactions surrounding a commercial people like ours.

The strength of a Government lies in the general prosperity of its people. For better for it in every way to let the wealth of its citizens remain in their own control, multiplying itself in the channels of trade and commerce, than to gather it up before it is wasted in vast sums to lie idle in the vaults of the Treasury. It is a serious error, and one that should be at once corrected, to keep so large a balance idle as that generally in the Sub-Treasury in this City. It weakens instead of strengthens the Government. The great questions of taxation and finance are destined to become at an early day the platform upon which political parties will come into power.

The "nation's wounds" will soon be all bound up, and prosperity will have set its seal upon our united and happy country.

The sword has been beaten into the plowshare and the spear into the pruning hook. The ship of State is no longer sailing upon a dark and stormy sea, but upon a smooth and peaceful ocean. All that remains to be done is to hasten to what has been done. "With firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in."

In the hope that the foregoing observations may be deemed worthy of the consideration of the Secretary, I have the honor to be, very respectfully, NATHANIEL SANDS.

Spanish Gunboats.

In addition to the twenty Spanish gunboats now in the Delamater Basin, at the foot of West Thirteenth-street, five more will arrive on Saturday from Mystic, Conn., where they have been built. They come to get their machinery and engines put on board, and to be fitted out according to Mr. DELAMATER's contract with the Spanish Government. This will bring the work near to completion, but will not, so far as known, be ready for service to the Spaniards, for it is clearly understood by Mr. DELAMATER that he is not to permit one of them to leave his basin without giving the Post Admiral notice. The vessels at present in his hands are nearly finished. Some of them will be ready in a few weeks. General Jo I made a fifth trial trip up the Hudson this week. Her average rate of speed was ten and a half nautical miles an hour.

Arrest of a Soldier's Widow.

ELIZO O'KEEFE, residing in Twelfth-street, near Avenue A, was brought before United States Commissioner SHIELDS by Detective ANDREW NEWCOMB, yesterday, on the charge of perjury.

The latter officer deposed that the accused was the widow of a Union soldier, named Thomas O'KEEFE, who was killed in the war, and that she had been drawing pension as such, under oath, after having married a second time to one FITZSIMMONS. It was ascertained that she had a large family of small children dependent on her for support; and that her husband was of little use to her, being at present in the Tombs. The Commissioner discharged her on her own recognizance.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART I.—AND OTHER AND THEREUNDER.

Held by Barnard, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M. Short Causes.

Nos.		Nos.	
2722	Graham vs. Kahn.	2362	Lane vs. Hennessy.
2535	Cogswell vs. N. Y. Mining Co.	2312	O'Donnell vs. Morris.
2607	Brookfield vs. Bunnell.	2446	Trundy vs. Young.
4461	Hanover Bank vs. Wilson.	2447	Schell vs. Murphy.
4386	Gessner vs. Harris.	2448	Sealy vs. Lent.
4738	Christian vs. Lantz.	2449	Lent vs. Sealy.
4741	Jones vs. Kimball.	2450	Ward vs. Same.
4461	Jones vs. Atwater.	2451	Hatch vs. Bank vs. Harmon.
4741	Williamson vs. Beckwith.	2452	Quinlan vs. Kalish.
3567	Mandeville vs. Chambers.	2721	Nat. Park Bank vs. Hurlbut.
3767	Ely vs. Smith.	2722	Gardner vs. Same.
3763	Van Riel vs. Walker.	2723	Frankel vs. Ingram.
3764	Van Riel vs. Walker.	2775	Redmond vs. Mem.
3775	Cummins vs. Cole.	2776	Phillips and Chesterfield Railroad Co.
2776	Burrows vs. Shaw.	2781	Loughron vs. Briggs.
4006	Lent vs. Cromwell.	2782	Stoughton vs. Kapsner.
4135	Nat. Citizens' Bank vs. Hall.	2783	Wemyss vs. Richardson.
4380	Hazard vs. Kockerscover.	2784	Mem. Nat. Bank vs. Kelly.
4381	Shaw vs. Landon.	2785	Wolfhelmer vs. Jacobs.
4416	Miller vs. Hutchins.	2786	Stopler vs. O'Reilly.
4415	Hoffman vs. Wagner.	2787	Shea vs. Richard.
4416	Hoffman vs. Wagner.	2788	Allison vs. Eichbaum.
4416	Same vs. Same.	2789	Welsh vs. Spieler.
4416	Same vs. Same.	2790	Godfrey vs. Dolan.
4416	Same vs. Same.	2791	Godfrey vs. Weeks.
4416	Hoffman vs. Spring.	2792	Alvarez vs. Sliger.
4416	Same vs. Same.	2793	Keeler vs. Hutchinson.
4416	Dillon vs. Tyng.	2794	Hamilton vs. Pope.
4416	Gordon vs. Bryson.	2795	McKay vs. Crook.
4416	Hoyt vs. Josselyn.	2796	Winch vs. The Brooklyn City.
4416	First Nat. Bank of Mount Gilead vs. Gillette.	2797	Grossman vs. Rudd.
2620	Lippman vs. Pape.	2798	Wise vs. Fremont.
2621	Gillmore vs. Dent.	2799	Wilkins vs. Nicholas.
2622	Wallace vs. Cohn.	2800	Levy vs. Rosenthal.
2624	Hughes vs. Sheldon.	2801	Christie vs. Wallbridge.
2625	Mellier vs. Sheldon.	2802	Bradley vs. Tracy.
2626	First Nat. Bank of Mount Gilead vs. Bennett.	2803	Lorrigan vs. Bass.
2628	Van Buren vs. Collins.	2804	Decker vs. Sunkwisk.
2629	Bennett vs. Sherman.	2805	Rutter vs. Sherman.
2630	Weldenfield vs. ——.	2806	Weldenfield vs. ——.
2632	Murray vs. Sanders.		

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Held by Barnard, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Nos.		Nos.	
308	Gilmore vs. McLelland.	142	Voss vs. Florida R. R. Co.
325	Charlie vs. Central Branch Union Pac. R. R. Co.	248	Gallagher vs. Gallagher.
328	L. G. Challis vs. The Same.	428	Stanley vs. Miller.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Cardozo, J.—Calendar called at 11 A. M.

Nos.		Nos.	
271	Wood vs. Muldoone.	314	Moody vs. James Fisk, Jr.
336	Atkins vs. Rowland.		

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Barbour, Ch. J. Short Causes.

Nos.		Nos.	
1146	Rausch vs. Miller.	2331	Bassing vs. Ibbl.
1395	Bunnell vs. Myer.	2145	Jansen vs. Jackson.
1797	New-York Belting and Packing Co. vs. New-York Leather Co.	2275	Boland vs. Thompson.
1872	Cannon vs. Keeler.	2300	Burton vs. Thompson.
1882	Kuab vs. Ackerman.	2276	Martin vs. Seymour.
1972	Logan vs. Remsen.	2276	Raynor vs. Hollscher.
1975	Baillie vs. Same.	2309	Gilbertsen vs. Cupsus.
1968	People vs. Wood.	2308	Dechler vs. Diggs.
2164	Kurzmann vs. Kotz.	2327	Geckland vs. Odell.
2217	Schroff vs. Reuss.	2361	Brady vs. Manly.
2361	Gilsey vs. Levy		

MARINE COURT—SPECIAL TERM—CHAMBERS.

Held by Alker, Gross and Curtis, JJ.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

No. 119.—*Aswell & Brothers, Plaintiffs in error vs. Edward J. Gay.*—In error to the Circuit Court for the District of Louisiana. The plaintiffs in error were merchants in New-Orleans and factors of Austin & Adams, sugar planters in the Parish of Iberville, Louisiana, and made advances, as claimed, to those parties of about $1,100, to enable them to raise the crop of 1858-4, for which they set up in their petition a privilege on the crop of 1859. The crop for that year was thirty acres of cane, and being unable to pay their debt to the plaintiffs, they sold to them this sugar cane, which was in turn sold by the plaintiffs to one Cole, for $1,000 cash and $2,200 payable when Cole took possession of the crop. Subsequently, and before Cole took possession, the defendant in error, Gay, brought an action to proceed against the land of Adams & Austin, where the cane was still lying in windrow, and seized both the land and the cane. Gay refusing to release the cane upon notice, the plaintiffs were obliged to rescind their contract with Cole, and brought these proceedings to recover the value of the cane from Gay. The Court below held the plaintiffs' claims of ownership and privilege upon the instrument, in which they were overseers of the cane then the privilege on the crop did not exist, and it was determined that they were the agents of the parties raising the cane, and acted as such in the transaction, and as such agents they could not be regarded as privileged creditors who were entitled to prevent the sale of the property by other creditors.

Writ of error was taken, the plaintiffs in error contending that under the Louisiana Code, having made the advances claimed, which was used for supplies, &c., for the planters, they had a privilege on the crop of the year in which the sugar and which entitled them to be preferred before other creditors, even those holding mortgages. Even though the advances made were in money, and not in the form of supplies, the privilege still existed. The arguments of the defendant in error maintained the view taken by the Court below. Judgment affirmed with costs.

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Nos.		Nos.	
271	Wood vs. Muldoone.	314	Moody vs. James Fisk, Jr.
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1146	Rausch vs. Miller.	2331	Bassing vs. Ibbl.
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

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Mr. GLADSTONE has written a letter to the Dublin Council in which he expresses his satisfaction that the city approves of his action and that of his colleagues in the last Parliament in regard to the Irish Church question. He also acknowledges the obligations he is under to do all he can for the welfare of Ireland, and on the amnesty question he gives the reasons for the adverse action of the Government.

At a business meeting of the Dublin Amnesty Association, held in that city on Wednesday, resolutions of regret at the course of Mr. GLADSTONE on the Fenian question were adopted, and a determination expressed to continue the agitation and to establish local organizations throughout Ireland.

The London *Post* of yesterday, in speaking of the President and the gold speculations, says: "The hands and life of President GRANT are a sure guarantee that he will do his duty impartially to all parties."

The holders of the Atlantic and Great Western and Erie Railway shares in England, are said to be organizing for the purpose of bringing suits in the American Courts to protect their interests.

M. GIRARDEAU has been made Director of the French Press in the place of M. LAVOLE. The Cabinet has decided not to prosecute any of the papers for their late violations of the Press law.

Prince METTERNICH is reported to have been censured by the Austrian Government for his connection with the recent duel.

CUBA.

Two Spanish men-of-war are reported to have sailed from Havana for Nassau, N. P., for the purpose of looking after the *Lillian*.

Serious frauds are stated to have been discovered in the Government bonded warehouses at Havana, and the authorities are engaged in an investigation. The furniture in the palace of Señor ALDAMAS, in that city, was sold at auction yesterday.

General CAVADA, the insurgent leader, is said to have issued an order to the forces under him to burn the cane fields, in order to prevent the owners of plantations from obtaining the sugar, as the time had arrived to grind the cane.

GENERAL.

A most terrible disaster occurred on the Mississippi River on Wednesday evening. The steamboat *Stonewall*, from St. Louis, bound for New-Orleans, took fire a little below Neely's Landing, 125 miles distant from St. Louis, and out of two hundred and fifty-two persons on board only about fifty are known to have been saved. Two hundred and seventy horses, cattle and mules were also lost. A large quantity of hay was on deck, and the fire originated from a lighted candle placed too near it, which some of the deck passengers were using while engaged in playing cards.

The trial in the case of STAPLES against the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company, for alleged injuries received in a railway accident, was begun at Belfast, Me., yesterday. The plaintiff and several of the witnesses are deaf mutes, and at the time of the accident were returning from a deaf and dumb convention. The trial is peculiar, from the fact that much of the testimony has to be taken in the sign language.

A schism is reported to have taken place in the Mormon Church in Utah, which is headed by E. B. H. STEVENSONS, the editor of the Salt Lake Telegraph, and an old friend of BRIGHAM YOUNG.

Governor HOLDEN, of North Carolina, is stated to have enrolled a large body of negro militia, which is to be sent to Orange and Chatham Counties to assist the local authorities in preserving order.

Well-executed counterfeit stamps, such as are used for legal documents, have been received from California by Commissioner DELANO at Washington.

Professor JAMES HALL, State Geologist, has written a letter in regard to the "Cardiff giant," in which he states that it is a statue and in addition, bad as to its origin, as much as to artistic conformation. He thinks the conspiracy of a high order.

The Democratic ticket was, as usual, elected at the Baltimore municipal election, which took place on Wednesday. The Republican vote was more than double that of last year.

It is thought by the Department of Agriculture, at Washington, that the definitive estimate of the cotton crop (3,000,000 bales) will be exceeded, and that there is an ample sufficiency for the wants of the country.

Hon. GEORGE H. PENDLETON has been made President of the Kentucky Central Railroad.

A meteor of extraordinary size and brilliancy was seen in Ohio on Wednesday evening. Three heavy explosions occurred during its passage.

President GRANT attended the wedding of a daughter of Bishop SIMPSON, in Philadelphia, on Wednesday night.

OGDEN'S flouring mill at Bath, Steuben County, was destroyed by fire on Wednesday night. Loss, $80,000.

JAMES RUSSIN, of Andover, Mass., jumped from the Fall River Railway train while in motion on Wednesday night, in Boston, and was so badly injured that he died yesterday.

A delegation of the Common Council of Cincinnati were in Philadelphia yesterday, visiting the public works.

Another Woman's Suffrage Convention met in Hartford, Conn., yesterday. Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER opened the sessions with prayer, and delivered an address last evening. The Convention will conclude its labors to-day.

The hub and spoke factory of G. S. TIBBETS & Co., at Marion, Ind., was burned on Wednesday night. Loss, $32,000; insurance, $16,000.

LOCAL.

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An enthusiastic meeting of the friends of Judge CLERKE, Senator FLYNN and NELSON W. YOUNG was held last evening at Jackson-square. Speeches were made by Messrs. ROOSEVELT, Judge WATERBURY, JOHN H. ANTHON and others in opposition to and denunciation of the Tammany Ring.

Mr. B. RICHARDSON delivered a lecture on the "Culture and Manufacture of Silk in the United States" at the American Institute Fair last evening.

Ex-Marshal BARLOW'S successor, Mr. SAMUEL E. HARLOW, was inducted into office before Judge BLATCHFORD yesterday.

No one has yet been appointed to succeed General BUTTERFIELD as Assistant United States Treasurer.

ELIAS SCHWARTZ came before United States Commissioner SHIELDS yesterday on the charge of having smuggled $10,000 worth of imported human hair into this port.

The Congressional Committee having in charge the investigation in the case of ELIOT and MARTHERMAN, the members of the United States Legation in Paraguay who were imprisoned by LOPEZ, and subsequently, as they allege, ill-treated on board vessels of the South Atlantic Squadron, are now taking testimony in this City. Rear-Admiral DAVIS, and other naval officers, have been examined, and their statements differ somewhat from the facts as set forth in the memorial of ELIOT and MARTHERMAN to Congress asking for the investigation.

Mr. NATHANIEL SANDS has addressed an important letter to the Secretary of the Treasury, in which he advises a thorough reorganization of our whole system of national taxation and a careful revision of the tariff.

Hon. HORACE GREELEY addressed a meeting of the Workingmen's Union at the Sixth Ward Hotel last evening. The attendance was quite respectable in point of numbers, and passed off with much enthusiasm.

United States Commissioner NEWTON, yesterday, denied an application for the release or immediate trial of FRANCOIS FARRE, who is held under the Extradition Treaty with the Swiss Confederation on a charge of having forged certain commercial paper, worth about 20,000 francs. The case will be investigated Nov. 1.

The strike of the operators of the Franklin Telegraph Company ended yesterday in a compromise, according to which their salaries are to be increased on an average of about seventeen per cent.

A fire broke out in the Reading Room of the Cooper Institute yesterday, caused by a defective flue. It was immediately extinguished and caused no damage.

In the Court of Special Sessions yesterday two boys, named JAMES WALL and WM. DYER, were sentenced to Hart's Island for having stolen ten newspapers.

The home-and-home game yesterday, between the Mutuals and Atlantics, resulted in favor of the latter by a score of 12 to 10.

To-day and To-morrow.

Two days remain for the registration of voters preliminary to the State election on Tuesday next. To-day and to-morrow are the only days on which the Boards of Registry will sit in the several election districts of this City and Brooklyn; and the opportunity should not be neglected by those who would secure a full and honest vote. The registries will be open from 8 A. M. to 9 P. M. on each day.

So far, the registration is remarkably light. A falling off of more than fifty thousand indicates the apathy which prevails among our citizens in political matters, and at the same time shows one of the great dangers to which the Republican ticket is exposed. As the prelude to a reduced vote, the circumstance has been hailed as an assurance that the gross Democratic frauds of last November cannot be repeated. This would be true if the decline in numbers were wholly or even largely on the Democratic side. But all the probabilities point in the opposite direction. The Democratic managers are never indifferent,—never forgetful. They have not been so demonstrative as last year, either in the Naturalization Courts or before the Boards of Registry, perhaps because the results of the contest concern them less; but they have not been inactive. The Republicans, on the other hand, have been singularly indifferent. We know one district in which not more than a fraction of the Republicans have recorded their names, and we apprehend that there are others in which a similar state of things exists.

This apathy, unfortunately so characteristic, exposes us to another peril—that arising from fraud. Unless constant vigilance be exercised, dishonest registration will yet be carried to an extent which will baffle divers pleasant calculations. Many names have already been fraudulently registered, and we may be quite sure that the effort will not stop unless care be taken by the friends of a pure ballot box to check unlawful registration. Inspectors may do much on election day, but more may be done to-day and to-morrow to prevent improper voting. Keep off the registry lists those who have no business there, and the work of next Tuesday will be greatly simplified. And every good citizen may promote the work by exerting himself a little in the district with which he is acquainted. Let us have an honest majority, and there will be no reason to fear the result.

If Republicans neglect the opportunity which to-day and to-morrow afford them, they must not complain of Democratic frauds. By registering themselves, and by securing the registration of neighbors who are entitled to vote, they may develop the full measure of Republican strength. And by watching operations carefully, they may restrain the frauds on which the Democratic leaders must rely for anything like heavy majorities.

The Mississippi Election.

Senator THAYER'S version of his conversation with the President with reference to the Mississippi election, was scarcely needed to disprove the pretensions to Executive favor which have been paraded by Judge DENT and his friends. The circumstances under which the nominations of ALCORN and DENT were respectively made, the platforms on which they respectively stand, and the known position and purposes of their friends, are enough to prove where the sympathies of Northern Republicans properly belong. General GRANT is not the man to allow family relationship to influence the course which his convictions and his political affiances clearly indicate. And he knows too well the conditions under which Judge DENT became the opponent of the regular Republican candidate, to be misled by any pretence of Republicanism which DENT or his supporters may make.

In Virginia, what was known as the "Conservative" movement had both significance and justification. It was a protest against a harsh, proscriptive policy, and an effort to crush the spirit in which that policy originated. In Mississippi the case is different. The Republicans proper, who have nominated ALCORN, stand on a platform identical in principle and purpose with that on which Governor WALKER was elected in Virginia. They disclaim all proscriptive measures, and oppose the provisions of the new Constitution which make those measures possible. They go further, and urge upon Congress the abrogation of all disabilities which continue subject to Federal control. In these particulars the Republicans whom DENT seeks to defeat are as liberal as the most pronounced "Conservative" could desire them to be.

There is, however, one difference between the pretended Republicans, of whom DENT is the tool, and the genuine Republicans, of whom ALCORN is the leader. The former strive to obtain power in order that as far as possible they may frustrate the guarantees which the new Constitution throws around the freedmen; the true Republicans, on the contrary, aim, by obtaining control of the State Government, to realize for the State the full benefit of the guarantees which the Constitution is designed to afford. Divested of disguise, the contest is between the friends of reconstruction and its consequences, and the enemies of both. The Dent Party, in attempting to invest it with any other character, are adhering to the policy of fraud and false pretences in which their organization originated.

General Sigel and the German-Americans of New-York.

It is very gratifying to find, as the canvass in this City proceeds, that the attitude of independent German-Americans becomes more decided. With the exception of that section which has delivered itself over, bound hand and foot, to Tammany and the Ring, they are refusing longer to be identified with principles, the triumph of which in this City has done it incalculable harm. Whether on municipal or national questions, there is but one duty for honest citizens, and one class of politicians whom they are called upon to support. Particularly is it necessary that our adopted citizens see this clearly. One of the essentials toward their full standing in the country is that they hold themselves aloof from those organizations by whom pride of country would seem to abandoned, and who, by their narrow political views and their shameless corruption, would lower its character in the eyes of all nations.

One of the results of the war is the affirmation of that political equality which the Democratic Party sought to overthrow. It has sought this systematically, not only by its opposition to the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments, but by its claim to take possession of the German vote, and thus to deprive it of its just influence and freedom. As General SIGEL said in his address, formerly the German "was nothing but a working cattle." That has now changed, and the German-Americans have assumed the free exercise of their political rights, in this City, as already they had assumed them in the Western States. It was time—may it not be too late!

And what does this recovered liberty of action enable our German-Americans to do? They have their choice of two platforms; upon which will they range themselves? On the one hand they have offered them the perpetuation of evils which even those who have caused them do not in private affect to defend by any rule of morals or patriotism. On the other is the programme of reform. The Republican ticket is composed of men pledged to defend the best interests of the mass of the people. The new Constitution to be voted for, is a step in the same direction. The Republican Party stands irrevocably committed to the payment of the debt as those who incurred it meant it to be paid, to public economy, to the pure administration of law and of justice, to the preservation of peace, so far as may be compatible with a nation's honor; to the arrangement of the revenue and tariff systems upon an equitable basis that will encourage general prosperity, and to the guardianship of electoral rights for all. What German coming hither with the broad ideas of liberty which animate the Republican Party of Europe, can understandingly fall to side with the advocates of these ideas?

It is a mistake to suppose that the German-Americans who intend to vote for the ticket, at the head of which the name of General SIGEL stands, do so only from personal considerations toward himself. It is not that this is a mere expression of the part taken by that General in the late war. Whatever position he may be assigned in the future, he will figure in American history as a gallant German-American soldier and patriot. Nay, as he himself says, whether he be elected or no, the election of next Tuesday will be associated in the minds of his countrymen with him. But it is because his character and achievements are so completely in harmony with the principles of his political friends, and because his past record and his present aims are in unison, that he possesses his political strength. The man is now fighting with his pen and his voice for the same objects which he drew his sword to gain for his adopted country. His military fame alone would have made him a formidable opponent at the polls, but when to that is added the prestige of principles, which are wise and just to his fellow-citizens, he is an adversary whom the Democratic Party may well fear. And it does fear him. "Of course," say the Ring and its organs and satellites, "we shall carry the City." But that is by no means so certain as they would have it believed. They have lost the greater portion of their German-American following already. The example of the foreign-born voters who refuse longer to be led blindly to the polls, and then contemptuously dismissed until the next time they shall be required, may be followed also by native voters, who have been cajoled and used and flung aside in the same fashion. The Democratic Party holds within it many who are fast awakening to a full understanding of what it is to which they have hitherto given support; and are asking themselves whether they can afford to be longer compromised by corrupt combinations and a platform of dishonor.

The Influx of Population.

Any one disposed to underrate the importance of immigration to this country cannot do better than reflect a little over the suggestive facts contained in Mr. KAPP'S paper read before the Social Science Association. Two of his statements were of themselves sufficient to demonstrate the vital interest which the subject possesses. The first was, that to foreign accessions to our native population we are indebted for a large proportion of our growth in all the material elements of national advancement; and the second showed that the present rate of immigration makes a daily addition of about $1,300,000 to the substantial wealth of the country. The proper direction and regulation of a force of such magnitude, both socially and industrially, is a problem demanding more attention than it has yet received. Much has been done in the way of distributing and preventing the useless waste of this great stream of population; a good deal as yet remains unaccomplished.

We agree with Mr. KAPP regarding the efficiency and thoroughness which have characterized the proceedings of the State Commissioners of Emigration during the twenty-two years of their existence. Into the merits of the dispute with their Western opponents we need not enter. That instances of neglect do sometimes occur, is evident from an instance cited by us a few days ago. The promptitude with which the officials of Castle Garden took up this case may, however, be taken as sufficient evidence of their anxiety, at least, to discharge their multifarious functions as perfectly as possible. The Commissioners have assumed a task of a very complicated nature, and they are possibly right in challenging their assailants to show any Government department which, with similar resources, can point to results so satisfactory.

Much as the Commissioners have already accomplished, and perfect as they may imagine their organization to be, the strength of their position must depend on their ability to advance still further in order to keep pace with the growing necessities of the interests they have under control. Nothing would be simpler and more conducive to the proper working of their generally admirable arrangements than to supply each emigrant vessel with a sufficiency of copies of the rules and working of their great depot and its branch establishments. This is the more necessary, as correspondents have spoken of so-called "Emigrant's Guides" circulated on board ship which cast implied discredit on many of these arrangements, and prepare the ignorant stranger for escaping as quickly as possible from the depot. The landing of a body of emigrants is frequently, from press of arrivals, a matter involving much tedious delay. Fatigued with the voyage, tired of waiting and stunned with the multitude of new impressions, it is not to be wondered at if the new comer has but a hazy idea of what all the complicated machinery of Castle Garden is meant to effect, and is consequently little disposed to appreciate the pains bestowed on his welfare. The leisure of a voyage is just the time to prepare his mind for the salutary ordeal through which he has to pass, and we trust that an opportunity so obvious will not longer escape the attention of the State Commissioners.

The increasing distance of the unoccupied fields of labor from the ports of arrival is a matter out of which questions graver still are being developed. Even now the mass of unemployed hands in New-York is receiving daily reinforcements, while from the fertile West and South come the cry for more labor. Regret the fact as we may, there always will be collected in this City a certain proportion of immigrants who are unprovided with means to carry them further. Their presence here is in every way injurious. It depresses the value of local labor, it swells the ranks of crime, and it creates an impression unfavorable to the resources of our country among their friends at home. We are far from advocating the placing of a premium upon improvidence and recklessness, but it is perfectly evident that some effort is necessary to avert this steadily growing evil. If the hands of the Immigration Commissioners are full, there must be some supplementary organization to cope with this difficulty. A timely direction to so much useless force would certainly pay in the end, and there cannot be good reason why it should not be made to yield an immediate return in some shape. Let us have an honest inquiry, and there will be no reason to fear the result.

Life Insurance—Suicide.

A suit has just been settled in our Superior Court, of a kind that always deeply interests a community. A widow brought an action against an Insurance Company to recover $10,000, the amount of a policy upon the life of her late husband. The Company set up for defence that the policy was rendered void by the suicide of the insured. It was shown that he died suddenly, shortly after an examination of his entangled accounts with another Company of which he was an officer. The defendant contended that the deceased took strychnine; the plaintiff proved by medical testimony and a *post-mortem* examination that he died of heart disease. Upon the proof, the defence was withdrawn and the case settled by payment of the policy. It is said that a case of actual suicide, that of a man named BELDEN, who committed the act in Ludlow-street jail, will be brought into our Courts, as a bank of this City holding a policy on his life as collateral for a debt, purposes bringing an action for recovery against the Company that issued the policy.

It is rarely that a company successfully defends itself in a suit of this character. It appears necessary that the defendant should prove not only the fact of suicide, but the intention. Even if the act is not at all accidental, it is probably committed during melancholy or frenzy, when it is questionable whether the mind of the individual is entirely under the control of reason. A company could scarcely expect to prove that the deceased committed the act for the purpose of precipitating the maturity of the policy; yet it must clear up every doubt as to the sanity of the person at the time of the occurrence. For, if the unfortunate man was not a responsible being, the Company remains responsible for its obligation. To free the Company, his suicide should be as deliberate as though he had considered the advantages and disadvantages of his act, and selected it as a judicious mode of winding up his affairs.

It is currently reported that an insurance was paid to the survivors of a lady who is believed to have taken morphine for the purpose of causing death, last year, in Connecticut; and there was no attempt at litigation. An English company quite recently, where there was no doubt about the suicide of the deceased, is said to have deposited $10,000, the amount of the policy, with a trust company in this City, to be paid to the successful claimant. The Insurance Company does not propose to dispute the policy, but awaits the decision of our Supreme Court whether the payment shall be made to the heirs of a deceased wife or a present widow.

In addition to the difficulties of defence, the odium that attaches to any delay in the settlement of an insurance claim is apt to work great injury to a company. If a jury can be persuaded to decide in favor of a soulless corporation and against an interesting widow, the sympathies of the public are also to be considered when the concern intends to do any further business. The risk of such occurrences is, moreover, not an important element in calculating vital contingencies. There are probably not more suicides in the United States than one per annum to every 15,000 of population. In our cities such acts are proportionally more frequent, but the ratio can hardly exceed one in 7,500. Among those whose lives are insured, being distinctively the more prudent class, the actual number of suicides must be very small. In fact, the real excuse for retaining the "death by his own hand" clause in life policies, is the fear that its absence may tempt the insured to hanker after *felo de se*. With many of our companies it is a dead letter; a form, copied from forms in use in England; but almost as much a relic of barbarism as the former English statute under which a person committing suicide had to be buried by the roadside with a stake driven through his body, while his estate became escheated to the Crown. But whatever may be the system of an insurance company, litigation is, in all respects, its worst policy. In flagrant instances a compromise can usually be effected that would be cheaper than a lawsuit. Already, indeed, some companies propose to make the clause inoperative after the policy has run a certain length of time, and it is probable that before long they will "reform it altogether."

The burning of the steamer *Stonewall* below St. Louis, and the loss of more than 200 passengers, is one of those horrors which baffle description, and by their magnitude supersede comment. The cause of the calamity would seem to have been possible only under the most careless management. Unprotected lights in the midst of bales of hay are not much better than lighted matches in the neighborhood of gunpowder.

FERNANDO WOOD has furnished the latest proof that the Democratic opposition to Tammany is merely a political confidence game. After denouncing the corruption of that organization for years, he hangs on back to the feet of the Sachems at the moment when they are most corrupt. He has justified the belief in his political dishonesty which always prevailed. That WOOD should have smoked the pipe of peace with his old foes at a time when he and they considered that the opportunity had come for making a grasp at the few remaining spoils within their reach was in the eternal fitness of things. We should, in fact, have been surprised had not the smoke of amity arisen from the according calumets. There is evidently a distressful epoch at hand, for the agreement of WOOD and Tammany can portend good to none but themselves.

The advertisements for stolen property which are allowed to make their appearance in one or two City papers are clearly contrary to the law, and ought to be suppressed. We may see the effect of them from a case which came before the Magistrate at Jefferson Market on Wednesday. A lady was robbed of a quantity of jewelry, and was advised by a boarder in the same house to put a "Personal" notice in one of the morning journals. She did so, and was endeavored through the same channel. Eventually the lady was induced by her fellow-boarder to promise $500 to any one who would return the jewelry. Fearing she discovered, or thought she discovered, that this boarder was himself the person who had robbed her, she refused to carry out the agreement. It would be unjust, we suppose, to prevent against a system which is found to "pay," but the authorities could very easily prevent the daily compounding of felony which at present goes on without any kind of check.

Superintendent KURTZ, in his usual election order, directs the Police to do various things, and among others, to "protect persons who may be placed at each poll as challengers in the discharge of their duty." He leaves his subordinates to determine as to what shall be considered a decorous performance. Ideas so differ on the point that the phrase might be made to include anything, from a mild remonstrance to a threat of violent assault and battery upon any Republican challenger who came meddling in a hostile ward. The Superintendent should have been more precise, and at least have specially interdicted the favorite modes of Tammany for converting political heretics at the polls.

The proposition to put a tax on dogs is made in some quarters, for the benefit of the nation at large. It is estimated that there are six millions of dogs in the United States. Levy a tax of one dollar on each of these animals, and you have an annual income equal to the currency interest on $120,000,000 of the national debt. This calculation rather savors of the Micawber school of finance. Of the six million dogs said to be in existence, how many are there for which any body would be willing to pay a dollar? The friend and companion of man is seen much oftener in English households than in this country, and yet the dog tax in England produces, comparatively, a mere trifle. It is evaded under all sorts of pretexts, and is altogether more bother than it is worth. Besides, is there not a sufficient number of things taxed already? The wise course would be to reduce that number, and make up for the loss by a judicious redistribution of taxes. Several States have a dog tax now, but we had better not look to that source for any additions to the national exchequer.

The condition of the sewers in this City is plainly seen to be very serious by all who are competent to form a practical opinion on hygienic questions. Almost every householder has good reason to know that the drains are not well "trapped," from the number of rats which overrun his house. At certain changes of the tides the refuse of the City is washed back up the sewers, and the streets are filled with all the evil smells the human nose can possibly encounter. In some parts of the town the nuisance is not limited to unpleasant odors. There is no drainage whatever. Great accumulations of stagnant water are found, for example, between Fifty-eighth and Sixty-fifth streets, and Fifth and Lexington avenues. The water lies in some places fifteen feet deep. People who live elsewhere may console themselves with the thought that this neglect will not hurt them. They cannot be sure of that. A fever is very seldom confined to the locality where it originated. It knocks at the door of rich and poor alike. The high rate of mortality which characterizes New-York is greatly owing to defective drainage. It ought to be one of the healthiest cities in the world, and the drainage might be made simply faultless. The local authorities are seriously turning their attention to this most indispensable of all City reforms, and it only needs an honest prosecution of their labors to insure the hearty support of the public.

The *Nation* calls attention to the dishonesty and corruption which exist in Chicago, and which have lately been illustrated afresh in the case of the "Assessor of the South Town." This official's term of office expired in 1869, but for reasons of his own he desired to keep it until 1870. It is his duty to assess the taxable property in his district, and owners of such property find it very convenient to have a friend in the Assessor. He can reduce their taxes for them, and pocket a handsome profit on the transaction. A special bill was therefore prepared by the Chicago "Ring," who were interested in the job, extending the Assessor's term of office to the time required. It was afterward made to include all the other Assessors, and in this shape was smuggled through the House. The Senate did not pass it, but an entry was made in the journal setting forth that it had been read three times and passed—and so it became law. Thus by open corruption of the House, and a falsification of the Senate's records, a gross fraud was committed upon the people. The *Nation* deduces from this story the moral that the ballot is not an infallible protection against roguery. We discovered that in New-York long ago, but no device superior to the ballot has yet been discovered. The Chicago affair was simply a flagrant violation of the law in the name of the law, and no elective machinery could have saved the people from an outrage of that kind.

One of LEECH'S early drawings was called "the cow with the iron tail." The sketch represented a milk dealer drawing his supplies for his customers from the parish pump. People in those days are very glad to get "milk" adulterated with nothing worse than water. As for getting it pure, pass an "Old Subscriber," it is almost out of the question. The Board of Health have just published another return of an analysis of the milk sold by thirteen different dealers in this City. The figure "100," or anything above it, represents good milk, according to the lacometer test—milks below 100 are mixed with water, if not with something worse. Now, of the thirteen samples analyzed, several were found as low as 64, 66, 71, and the highest was only 97. Four samples failed to yield any cream whatever. One was down to 50. Much of the milk sold in the City is adulterated with unwholesome liquids, in order to give it "a rich appearance." People who are bringing up their children on this kind of fare must feel exceedingly comfortable when they read the returns made of the Board of Health.

It is all very well for Mr. GLADSTONE to "refuse" to release the Fenian prisoners, but if he supposes the question comes to an end there, he is greatly mistaken. One immense meeting has already been held in London, and now the Dublin Amnesty Association have avowed their determination to continue the agitation until their work is accomplished. A small stone may upset a big coach, and this peremptory denial of Mr. GLADSTONE'S may yet prove a formidable obstacle in the path of the Ministry. If the laws are so bad that Parliament is to be invited by the Premier to throw them over, why punish the men who have done nothing worse than to protest against the existence of those laws? The Fenians are, after all, only in the same category of offenders as Mr. GLADSTONE himself. He has continued about "Ireland's wrongs," and given a pledge to redress them, and "heal the sorrows of afflicted centuries"—to use Mr. DISRAELI'S language. What difference is there on this point between Mr. GLADSTONE and Mr. Denis Dowling Mahony? "Now, Gladstone is dead," said the Premier to him, "and I will see the sentence of transportation out on the same time you shall be put in prison for daring to make the same complaint." Mr. GLADSTONE was always a clever casuist, but he cannot have persuaded himself that this is justice.

The people of the older continent seem to have a greater power of economic arrangement in everything relating to social comfort than our own citizens—as in the matter of economic specialties, libraries, baths, &c. Just now the Londoners are about to open the Kensington Museum with a series of lectures for women. These are to be delivered by Professors HUXLEY, GUYSLAIN and OLIVER, who will also examine the pupils as to their qualifications to teach or fill other posts of duty requiring culture. These philosophers over the sea find it to be a better plan to do something in the way of helping along women who are educated or willing to work, than to turn them into ridicule on account of some of their natural extravagancies; and certainly those lectures will tend to give the ladies steady ideas and results their perceptions of things.

The old chronicles make a grand show with the migrations of the Cambyses, Tamerlanes and Ghengis-Khans; but these are, after all, less worthy of historic admiration than that swarming of over four millions of foreigners into the single port of New-York, in about the space of ten years. This is the most amazing fact on the page of modern statistics; and it is only approached by the companion fact that the capitalized wealth they brought with them into this country was over $5,000,000,000!—such being the estimate, apparently correct, of Mr. FREDERICK KAPP at the last meeting of the Social Science Society. The contrast between this "resumption" in the human family, and "the drums and tramplings" of the old movements is a thing to ponder on, seeing that the foreign millions came into our citizenship as easily and naturally as the waters of the Hudson mingle with the sea through the same great gate of immigration.

The Western papers continue to discuss with animation the propriety of removing the capital, and in each great city there is at least one journal which has succeeded in proving that there alone can a suitable site be found for the headquarters of the Federal Government. A foreign writer cautions us that the removal of the capital of Rome preceded by but a short time the downfall of that Power, and that the desertion of Moscow for St. Petersburg has not brought unmixed advantages to Russia. He might have added that although the capital of British India is intensely unhealthy, and is inconveniently situated, yet the apparent impossibility of choosing a better site still gives Calcutta her old supremacy. It would be equally difficult for us to select some one spot for a capital which should be satisfactory to every section of the people, and obviate all objections. The larger the community amid which the seat of Government was placed, the more extensive would be the corruption. We shall certainly not recommend New-York when Washington is discarded. The claim comes from the West, and since almost every one admits that the capital is at present very badly placed, it would be well to be chary about spending more money there. Washington will probably be abandoned some day, and we have no doubt the Capitol itself could be transferred to some other city—expense in such an undertaking being no object. The nation is not in a position to launch out upon any such extravagance at present. But it begins to feel that no more money ought to be wasted in Washington.

Is it not time some one gave a good legislative shake to that rotten old legal tumbledown, the Usury law? Every one knows it is practically a dead letter; or, if he doesn't, he has only to wait till he tries to borrow money on anything less than treble security. It remains purely, by *vis inertiæ*, a foreign substance festering in the body of the Commonwealth. The old causes of it are gone; other and better laws give the protection it was meant to insure. We don't nowadays enslave or imprison or oppress men's bodies simply for not paying money. That fine old character, the traditional, heartless creditor, has passed away with the debtor's prison, his engine, to the great damage of playwrights and the great joy of every one else. Old fogies may rest assured that it won't blow up the Sub-Treasury for a man to pay ten per cent. for his money lawfully, instead of fifteen per cent. in a mean, underhand way, unlawfully. Nothing costs as high—witness the Sheriff's Office—as evasion of law. The Southern States have dared the dread experiment of doing without usury pretty boldly, and the South still lives, and pays us Northerners cash, too, for our goods. The truth is, a dead law taints the air like a dead body. Already our merchants, our banks, our trust companies—all the repositories of honesty—talk familiarly of bonuses, commissions, perquisites—all the miserable machinery of shifts and subterfuges by which every one evades usury. In a community that keeps the nation's money, is it a small danger to have its best men familiarized with flaunting illegality and evasion in money matters?

OBITUARY

Paul Spofford.

The death of Mr. SPOFFORD, of the old firm of SPOFFORD & TILESTON, which occurred yesterday at his country seat, in Westchester County, removes from the business circle of New-York one of its oldest merchants, and one who for half a century has been identified with the growth and prosperity of the City. Mr. SPOFFORD was born in Georgetown, Mass., in 1781. He removed to New-York in 1818, in which year he entered into a copartnership with Mr. TILESTON, and the firm of SPOFFORD & TILESTON, by a course of honest, honorable and liberal dealing, from its inception to the present time, has always occupied the highest rank. The business was conducted by its originators until the death of Mr. TILESTON in 1864 dissolved the connection, when it was handed over to the sons of the founders, and is now carried on under the firm name of SPOFFORD, TILESTON & Co. When first started the founders of the business were engaged in the wholesale shoe trade, but this they abandoned entirely in 1826, and since that time the firm has only been known by its connection with the shipping interests of the country, having established lines to Havana, Charleston and other prominent ports. Mr. SPOFFORD was a man of wealth, and in all the walks of life a good and respected citizen. In social life of a genial, kindly nature, in business he was always calm, cool and judicious. He was for many years a director, and for a time President of the Bank of the Commonwealth, and to him and to his knowledge of business and business men that institution is indebted for much of its present success. At the time of his death he was in his 71st year. His funeral is to take place on Sunday, from his City residence on Fourteenth-street.

Father Hyacinthe at the American Institute Fair.

Father HYACINTHE visited the Fair yesterday afternoon, accompanied by a friend, but remained only a few minutes, having merely dropped in after having taken a ride in Central Park. He has been invited by the managers to make an extended examination of the exhibition, and will pay his formal visit to-day. The Fair will positively close to-morrow. Mayor HALL is to deliver the closing address to-morrow evening.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

ARRIVAL OF THE HAVANA STEAMSHIP MORRO CASTLE.

The steamship *Morro Castle*, which left Havana Oct. 20, reached this port yesterday, by the courtesy of Purser R. W. Ammidon we are in prompt receipt of our letters and papers.

The Situation—Troops From Spain—Retrogression—Spanish Commissioners with the Revolutionist Pennamil.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Oct. 23, 1869.

The situation of affairs in Cuba has undergone very little change since the date of my last. The usual number of military executions and confiscations have taken place, and still the revolution exists with as much apparent audacity as the Spaniards as heretofore. The arrival of troops from Spain, and their rapid transportation to the various points in the Cinco Villas, Nuevitas and Puerto Principe, has enabled the different Spanish commanders to once more assume the offensive. Rather more than the usual number of insignificant skirmishes have, however, been the only result thus far of the increase of the military power of the Spaniards. Were we to take as gospel truth the glowing accounts published from time to time in the Press of this city we would, perforce, be led to believe that the final suppression of the Cuban insurrection was fast being effected, and that its utter annihilation was a mere matter of weeks and days. Facts, however, do not corroborate the glittering promises of those journalistic prophets and the various decoagulos which they suffer are as frequent as they are painful.

VALMASEDA, we are told, has extended his flank on the famous Cauto. PUELLO "threw himself valiantly," to use the words of one of the city organs, "into the Curidiel intrenchment" at Puerto Principe, to resist heroically a threatened rebel onslaught, that did not take place withal, LESCA, the "hero of Cubitas," and the collapser of the famous DE SOUZA, has gone to Cienfuegos (by water, mind you) to "arrange" for the more active pursuit of the Mambises. And now you have had a concise review of the military operations of the past week.

RETROGRESSION.

The execution of various political chiefs or Republican leaders in Spain has been hailed with demonstration of delight by the Havana Press, and the prompt action of the Prim Government has called forth eulogiums of praise. Want of space forbids comment on my part, else you would see what are the tendencies, what the aspirations of the disciples of Spanish national integrity. Ideas and principles dead as the age in which they flourished, leanings as the defunct Inquisition whose creed and code they constituted, are intended to be resuscitated in our time and age beneath the shadow of free institutions, by the Jesuitical *Prensa*, the slave-opathic *Diario*, and the Prim-opathic *Voz de Cuba*—are they not indeed retrograding? A large number of wealthy and influential Spaniards have addressed the subjoined telegram to the Spanish Colonial Minister. The comments which it suggests are too numerous and of too great an importance to be discussed in the tail end of a letter; so I will do what those loyalists wish the Colonial Minister to do with regard to the granting of reforms to the Spanish Antilles—I will defer the matter till a more favorable opportunity. Here is the address:

Very Excellent Señor, Colonial Minister:

We, the subscribers, beseech your Excellency to interpose your mediation, in order that the granting of the political reforms promised to these Antilles be deferred until the tranquility of Cuba permits her representation in the Cortes and the discussion at the same time of the fundamental reorganization of both Provinces. (Cuba and Porto Rico.) The political reforms promised that may be inaugurated in Porto Rico will have their natural influence in Cuba, and may cause grave conflicts in the most important possession of Spain, from its greater population and riches and also from its more important geographical position. Said reforms cannot be discussed with reference to Porto Rico alone; it is necessary to their accomplishment that Cuba occupy the first position, as she would undoubtedly be affected by them in a greater manner. By waiting nothing will be lost. Precipitation may compromise all. Be pleased, Your Excellency, to accede to this supplicant.

HAVANA, 22d October, 1869."

SPANISH COMPLICITY WITH THE INSURRECTION.

You are already aware of the fact that the present Captain-General, DE RODAS, has furnished the Government of PRIM proof of the connivance of several prominent Spaniards with the cause of Cuban Independence. The *Voz de Cuba*, DE RODAS' organ, in referring to the telegram, says:

"It is more than a month since the *Voz de Cuba*, coasting in documents and data of a positive character, declared what he now said in Madrid respecting the connivance between the insurgents and the Republicans, and discovered by General CABALLERO DE RODAS, when the latter least expected it. We have no new commentary, therefore, to add to this notice, and we cannot see the only cause of this General, which has permitted him to do his country this new and inestimable service, to which, perhaps, the Island of Cuba owes its salvation."

Then to the discovery of this "connivance," and not to the "*carlofobo* patriotism of the great majority of its inhabitants," is due the preservation to Spain of the Antille. Truly these Havana journals are satirical without knowing it.

PERSONAL.

The retirement of Captain ADAMS from the New-York and Havana line of steamers has caused the sudden appearance in our port of an old and favorably known friend, Captain GEO. W. PALMER, whose gentlemanly manners and affable courtesy gain for him the sympathy of all who come in contact with him. The late trip of the *Morro Castle*, the favorite steamer of the line, under command of Captain PALMER, called forth on the part of the passengers the following little address:

ON BOARD STEAMSHIP MORRO CASTLE, OFF HAVANA, Oct. 19, 1869.

Captain George W. Palmer:

We, the undersigned, passengers on board the *Morro Castle*, off Havana from New-York, hereby acknowledge that we have received the "pound of flesh" to which our passage ticket entitled us. But not only this, we have also received from you the courteous attention of a friend, and, as old travelers, we take pleasure in expressing our appreciation of your recognition of the unwritten law in regard to passengers and Captain on board ship. The observance of this law, optional on your part, renders a voyage pleasant or otherwise. We also request you to convey our thanks to your purser, Mr. HOBART W. ALLEN, for his prompt attention to our wants and untiring politeness. Assuring you that it will afford us pleasure at any time to see you on shore, and at all times to sail with you.

Santiago G. Chapman, M. F. Benson, R. B. Daly, J. F. Arnold, José Morales, Francisco Scoal, H. H. Jennings, Jules Lachaunne, Geo. F. Schimper, L. F. Diago, F. J. Miller, Juan P. Larrabide, B. B. Hawkins, A. B. Seaford, Geo. Ehin, John Cooper, John Harrison and various others, including ladies." QUASIMODO.

Spanish Vessels after the *Lillian*—Frauds in Bonded Warehouses—Cuban Fields to be Burned by the Insurgents.

HAVANA, Oct. 23.—The Spanish men-of-war *Puerto* and *Asturia* have gone to Nassau, N. P., for the purpose of looking after the steamer *Lillian*.

Serious frauds have lately been discovered in the Government bonded warehouses. The Judge of the Supreme Court, the Treasurer, and Captain-General DE RODAS are engaged in personally investigating the matter.

The furniture in the palace of Señor ALDAMAS was to-day sold at public auction, by order of the Government.

The insurgent General CAVADA has issued the following order to the forces under his command: "It is probable that the owners of plantations will begin to grind sugar cane at an early date, and the General expects his subordinates to burn the cancelada as soon as the cane is dry."

The Embargo on Estates of Nonresidents—The Insurrection—Investigation Commencing with Spain.

HAVANA, Oct. 23.—The shares of the Spanish Bank are quoted at 15 per cent. premium. The Government continues to embargo the estates of Cubans residing in foreign countries. The cholera and vomito still exist in many parts of the Island. The troops for some time past stationed at Santiago de Cuba have been dispatched into the interior of the Island. Unimportant skirmishes are reported as having taken place between the opposing forces and insurgents. Telegrams received here state to the effect that the commission on the pacification of Cuba, which lately departed for Madrid, will shortly commence a study of the documents.

A commission of German and French residents of Havana, to-day, called upon Captain-General DE RODAS and tendered their services. They desired, as a manifestation of their sense of gratitude to the Spaniards, to be permitted to raise a reserve corps of volunteers.

Trial of the Privateersmen.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Oct. 28.—The testimony in the case of the officers of the Cuba was closed to-day. Nothing of importance was adduced. The case will be argued by counsel to-morrow.

The Crew of the Cuba to be Removed to New-York.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—Information from Wilmington, N. C., is to the effect that the crew of the *Cuba* were to be shipped to New-York yesterday morning, on the steamship *Ashland*, by their officers or the agents of the Cuban authorities in this country.

CURRENT NOTES.

The Boston *Advertiser* says that in consequence of recent occurrences in banks of that city, the Bank Examiners have decided to add to their regular investigation an inquiry by circular of individual depositors, as to their correct balances, the answers to which will furnish a most valuable check upon the possibilities of error or fraud in the interior management of the banks.

At the Judicial election in San Francisco, on the 20th inst., there were less than 13,000 votes in all polled, out of 21,373 in September, and 25,570 in November, 1868. The total vote of the State at the Presidential election was about 108,000; last September it fell as low as 91,000; on the 20th it did not exceed 25,000.

The Houston *Times*, one of the three papers in Texas which placed the Democratic State ticket at its head, has taken it down.

The Albany *Journal* says that all the parties concerned in the anti-rent disturbances were indicted by the Grand Jury for riot. This includes the WITBECKS and their friends, the officers, Colonel CHURCH and the men sent by him to dispossess WM. WITBECK. The parties have all been arrested, and have given bail to appear at the November term of the Oyer and Terminer. The Troy *Times* thinks that we have probably heard the last of the case.

This is the way they notice a "humorous lecture" in Boston: "One would suppose that the esthetic and logical sense of an audience would be so much offended by a discourse devoid of subject and method that they would have no relish for the fun of the disconnected parts; but the reverse appears to be the fact, and isolated jokes, like the separated teeth of a well-whetted saw, seem to produce a decided effect, so far at least as the approbation of his hearers is concerned."

The Tobacco Association of Richmond held a meeting on Tuesday, and declared that the person recently arrested there on the charge of trafficing in counterfeit tobacco stamps are not prominent manufacturers of that city, and that they never have been members of their Association.

The flag of the One Hundred and Fiftieth Pennsylvania Regiment, which was captured by the rebels at the battle of Gettysburg, and afterward found among the baggage captured from JEFF. DAVIS, has been returned to the State Adjutant-General at Harrisburg.

A young lady while going to her wedding in Rondout on Sunday, was thrown from the carriage and broke her leg. It was proposed to take her to a physician and have the limb set, but she refused, saying she was going to be married first. And, as usual, she had her way.

A man claiming to be a minister of the Baptist Church, recently married a confiding young lady in Missouri, and then coolly told her that he had eight other wives, and that he intended to have another in less than three months. The Troy (Mo.) *Herald* thinks he has proved himself a villain.

A story comes from Kentucky that on the eve of a battle in 1862, the Colonel of one of the regiments of that State resigned "because the boys of his regiment were too young for him."

The sleeping girl in Kentucky is not dead, as reported, but still continues her long nap, although we are told by a Kentucky paper that the unnatural state into which she sinks cannot be sleep, but a deep, intense and inexplicable insensibility and unconsciousness, from which the most terrible shocks of an earthquake or the loudest thunders of heaven could not arouse her.

One A. W. LOCKE, who signs himself corresponding secretary of the Workingmen's League of North Scituate, Mass., a week ago coolly wrote a curt note to Governor CLAFLIN, asking him if it was true, as was "currently reported on the South Shore," that he furnished $30,000 last Winter to defeat the charter of the Crispins. Governor CLAFLIN so far took notice of the reports of the peculiar people of the South Shore as to reply that he never furnished money to defeat that or any other bill.

To-morrow the remains of the late Governor JOHN A. ANDREW, of Massachusetts, which are interred at Mount Auburn, Cambridge, are to be removed to Hingham, his native town.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

"SHE WOULD AND SHE WOULD NOT."

COLLEY CIBBER's farcical comedy, which reminds one in title, but not otherwise, of a quaint style of nomenclature in fiction that is coming once more into vogue, was revived on Wednesday at the Fifth-avenue Theatre. "She Would and She Would Not" is one of the dramas which, it is common to say, are full of "bustle;" that is to say, people are continually running in and out, fighting on short notice and making love on shorter, getting involved in nets of interminable equivoque, leaping to the topmost pinnacles of bliss and plunging into the deepest abysms of woe, screaming with rage and shaking with laughter, all upon the most trifling occasion, and with a celerity of alternation that becomes at last wearisome in the extreme. CIBBER was unfortunately a master of the mechanism of the stage, and consequently we know beforehand of whatever he writes for it that every pair of lovers must be at cross purposes and be racked by jealousy; that every father must be a cruel tyrant, every servant bear false witness, take bribes and listen at keyholes; that everybody must misunderstand everybody else, and so on to the end. "She Would and She Would Not" is a long farce rather than a comedy, and even in these days, is not ill calculated to please the large number who possess a limited capacity for histrionic discrimination. The situations are absurd and incredible; what fable there is is sadly hackneyed—and, we should add, was when the play was written—but the action has always a certain liveliness, and, with good players, usually provokes much laughter if no profound interest.

The performance of Wednesday cannot be classed as among the most successful of the late revivals at the Fifth-avenue Theatre. It betrayed crudeness and inadaptability in parts, and a prevalent mechanical straining for effect, which is always unpleasing as well as inartistic. The performers were obviously anxious for the success of the comedy, and this commendable solicitude led them frequently to overact, and thus to stumble into caricature. Mrs. SCOTT-SIDDONS' mannerisms were less acceptable in Hippolyta than in Viola or Rosalind, and her supporters seemed mostly ill at ease, and, in some instances, uncertain of the words. Repetition will doubtless remedy the more conspicuous of these defects; but it is undeniable that the company is less happy in this comedy than in either of the others they have essayed. It is only fair to record that "She Would and She Would Not," is very nicely put upon the stage in point of dress and scenery, the set in the third act being especially worthy of commendation.

Musical.

GERMAN OPERA AT THE FRENCH THEATRE.

"Martha" was very acceptably rendered at the French Theatre last evening by Herren HIMMER, WEINLICH and STEINECKE, and Mme. DOTTER and Fräulein [illegible]. The music [illegible] well in general.

LOCAL POLITICS.

Judge Clerke and the Bar.

The following the only address promulgated to Judge CLERKE last May, signed by about 300 members of the Bar, comprising learned without exception all the are distinguished for ability, learning and rectitude of professional conduct:

To Hon. Thomas J. Clerke, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court:

The undersigned members of the Bar of the City of New-York, feel that they have the right, when you are about to leave the judicial station which you have adorned, and which you have for many years occupied with universal satisfaction, to express to you the sentiments which we entertain for you as a judge. It is not for us to enter into a panegyric of your judicial qualities, which are of a nature to be fully appreciated only by those who are your associates and suitors, who have at least the honor of the judiciary, we feel, we have not been unmindful of the respect and confidence which you have so justly earned, and which we, and all who know you, feel to be your due. Your strict impartiality, your learning, your industry, your great capacity, your urbanity of manners and your high moral character, none of which have ever been questioned, we make, in addition to the foregoing, the thought of your retirement cannot be considered by us without painful emotions. We know, and this knowledge strongly leads you where you now are, and we are thereby impelled to express to you the conviction that, in the estimation of trained patriotism, and if you will make all private and personal considerations subservient to the public good, in a word, if in our great emergency that you will only exert the full intelligence of recognizing your position, but also allow yourself to be again elected by the suffrages of a grateful people to fill the office for another term.

The following is the Judge's answer:

NEW-YORK, 26th May, 1869.

To Charles O'Conor, John E. Parsons, Wm. Maxwell, Daniel S. Kennedy, Charles A. Peabody, Wm. M. Beach, Wm. C. Barrett, John H. Anderson, John McKeon and others:

GENTLEMEN: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a communication addressed to me and signed by yourselves and several hundred other members of the Bar of the First Judicial District. From such a source any Judge may well be proud of receiving assurance of good will and commendation. No man is more conscious of his demerits than I am of mine. Nevertheless your indulgent words give me reason to feel that I have not altogether failed in the endeavor, diligently and fearlessly, to do my duty, according to the best of such ability as I possess. You allude to a rumor of a design on my part to retire from the Bench. But many eminent members of the profession, as well as all my personal friends and relatives, have unanimously and strenuously insisted that duty requires that I should not vacate or decline the office so long as the people, by their suffrages, signify a wish that I should continue in it. This advice induced me to hesitate, and when I ascertained that it corresponded with the general sentiment of the Bar, citizens and conscientious Christians, I concluded to remain. I have, therefore, not only not to resign before the expiration of the present term, but also to be a candidate, next November, for re-election. I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

THOS. CLERKE.

Republican Rally in Williamsburg—Speeches by Horace Greeley, Colonel Lansing, Mr. W. M. Little, Daniel R. Leddy and Others.

Washington Hall, Williamsburg, was filled to its utmost capacity last night with earnest and enthusiastic Republicans, to ratify the State and local tickets to be voted for next Tuesday. Dr. WM. WRIGHT presided.

Mr. HENRY S. BELLOWS offered resolutions complimenting GRANT's Administration and indorsing the nominations, which were adopted with hearty applause.

Colonel EDWARD B. LANSING was then introduced. He alluded to the patriotism of the Democratic platform, and the manly, open and above-board course of the Republican platform, which they were met together to indorse. If it had nothing else in it but the proposition to have no property disqualification, that alone would commend it to the people, who favored impartial liberty and justice.

Mr. DANIEL R. LEDDY next addressed the meeting.

Hon. HORACE GREELEY, on arriving, was received with enthusiastic applause. He said that one of the commendable features of this canvass on the Republican side was the calm tone with which the principles of the party and its platform were discussed. In that fact there was much to encourage and much to give promise, provided, of course, that the voters buckled on the armor and went into the fight with the determination to win. He then referred to the commendable features of the new Constitution, stating that they were good because they were in harmony with freedom, and did not war against the claims which all citizens had for impartial and equal suffrage. All that was necessary was for the Republicans to do their duty on election day, and victory would be theirs.

Other speeches were made by Mr. WM. M. LITTLE, candidate for Mayor, Major HAGGERTY, and others.

The meeting then adjourned, with three rousing cheers for the ticket.

German Republican Mass Meeting.

A large German Republican mass meeting of the voters of the Twelfth, Nineteenth, Twenty-first and Twenty-second Wards, was held at the Third-avenue Garden, between Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth streets, last evening, Mr. FREDERICK KLOCKMANN presiding. Mr. CHAS. GOEPP, the Republican candidate for Judge of the Superior Court, made a stirring speech. The resolutions of the German Republican mass meeting, held at the Cooper Institute, were indorsed. Speeches were made by JAMES CULVER, M. HALINOR, MEYER STERN and others, admonishing the meeting to register yet, and to vote on election day and to cause their neighbors to do so too.

Sigel Mass Meeting.

The German Republicans of the Twelfth, Nineteenth, Twenty-first and Twenty-second Wards assembled *en masse* at No. 189 Third-avenue, last evening, for the purpose of indorsing the nomination of General SIGEL. Mr. WILLIAM LOCHLEN presided. Enthusiastic addresses in German were made by Messrs. CHARLES GOEPP, M. ELLINGER, JAMES BABCOCK and Dr. VAN HOEFFER.

Democratic Mass Meeting—Jackson-square Crowded with the Executes of the Tammany Ring.

A perfect forest of men and transparencies crowded Jackson-square last evening to indorse the nomination of IGNATIUS FLYNN as candidate for Senator of the Fifth Senatorial District. The meeting was presided over by ROBERT B. ROOSEVELT, Esq., and among the Vice-Presidents were Daniel Delevan, Ralph Bogut, Robert D. Holmes, James D. McClellan, James Canfield, William M. Giles, Arthur J. Delany and others. Mr. ROOSEVELT delivered one of his earnest speeches in denunciation of Tammany and its corrupt Ring. He referred to the candidates nominated by the opposition—Judge CLERKE, who for sixteen years was the incorruptible occupant of the Supreme Court Bench, and was now sought to be set aside by Tammany because the "Ring" could not use him; Mr. FLYNN, who had the honorable daring to stand up against its corruptions and appeal to the people of his district to exercise their unmolested rights, while NELSON W. YOUNG came forward as the champion of the workingmen. Dr. NEVILLE and JOHN H. ANTHON followed the President in earnest appeals to the voters of this City to break loose from the slavery of Tammany and exercise their rights as freemen. It was cowardly on the part of any voter, said Mr. ANTHON, not to stand forth manfully and vote for the candidate of his choice, instead of yielding to the bidding of Tammany Hall. It was sought to hurl from office a Judge who was guilty of no crime other than that of being incorruptible by the Tammany oligarchy. In the same contest was embarked their candidate for Senator, and he appealed to them to assert their freedom and bring back the Democratic Party to its original purity. Speeches in the same strain were delivered by NELSON J. WATERBURY, JAMES D. MCCLELLAN and others. At another stand on the opposite corner of the square speeches were delivered by JOHN RAPPENTY, JAMES RYAN and DUKE C. GRIMES. The only unpropitious omens attending the meeting were, first, the breaking down of the platforms, and at a later hour the burning of the decorations. Toward the close of the meeting resolutions were unanimously passed sustaining IGNATIUS FLYNN as candidate for the Fifth District, and condemning Tammany, its tyranny and corruptions.

Twenty-second Ward Jefferson Independent Democracy.

At a mass meeting of the Twenty-second Ward Jefferson Independent Democratic Association last evening, at National Hall, West Forty-fourth-street, the nomination of Mr. GEBET as Senator for the Eighth District was ratified. Addresses were delivered by General CHATFIELD, Mr. WARDWELL and ROSWELL D. HAICH, who spoke at length against the political jobbers who have hitherto held office, and many of them two or three at once. He also denounced the proposed interference of the rival candidate for Assembly in that district (Thos. C. Fields) in the appointment of the Central Park. With a hearty ratification of the nominations of ROSWELL D. HAICH as Assemblyman for the Nineteenth, and FRED. FLAGG for the Seventeenth District, the meeting adjourned.

Fraudulent Voting.

The following order has been issued from the office of the Superintendent of Metropolitan Police:

NEW-YORK, Oct. 26, 1869.

GENERAL ORDER No. 68.—Special Order No. 67 is in full force during the approaching election. You are required to govern yourself and your command in conformity therewith.

The statute provides that it is "the duty of the Metropolitan Police force, at all times of the day and night, within the Metropolitan Police District, and for the purpose, by force, if necessary, of suppressing all tumults, riots, or mobs, and of preserving the peace, to execute the laws of the State, and of the United States." Such is the duty of the force under your command. The law, moreover, and the statutes further provide that "The sergeants-at-arms of the Metropolitan Police shall have power, and authority to keep disorderly persons, with the right, if need be, to take into custody any person who shall, in the presence of such sergeant, or within his view, any breach of the peace, or offence directly prohibited by act of the Legislature."

The Revised Statutes prohibit fraudulent voting, and for the crime provide exemplary punishments, raising the offence from misdemeanor to felony. You will, therefore, impress the members of your command with the due diligence for the discovery of every offender against the Election laws, and to arrest and hold every person who may vote or attempt to vote illegally; and in case any such persons are arrested by virtue of the warrant of a Board of Inspectors of Election, they shall be held at the Station House until "after the final canvass of the votes shall be completed," as provided by the statute.

The members of the force have no duty to perform more important than the protection of the ballot box from fraud and violence; and they are especially urged to be a vigilant and effective exercise of their duty in this premises. Let every person who has been fraudulently registered be carefully looked after, and every one who may in any other way attempt to steal a vote be promptly taken care of.

JOHN J. KENNEDY, Superintendent.
GEO. W. DILLS, Inspector.

Regulations for Election Day.

Superintendent KENNEDY has issued the following order:

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF METROPOLITAN POLICE, NO. 300 MULBERRY-STREET, NEW-YORK, Oct. 26, 1869.

To the Captains of Police:

You will, on Tuesday, Nov. 2, enter the whole of your command on duty at sunrise, except those detailed by the Superintendent for that day. You will not excuse any member of your command on that day. You will take every precaution to preserve the peace around the polling places, and keep ingress and egress to them open, so that every citizen entitled to vote may have an opportunity to do so in safety. You will see that your telegraph instrument is in charge of a sergeant fully competent to work it from sunrise to sunset. In case you require assistance while the election is going on, notify your adjoining Precincts for their reserve, and if the difficulty assumes a serious aspect, telegraph to this office. You will see that your ballot-boxes are properly labeled, and that they are distributed to the several polling places in your Precinct before sunrise on the morning of election. You will instruct the members of the force under your command to keep a sharp lookout for illegal voters; to arrest all persons whom they have good reason to believe have or attempted to vote illegally. And also instruct them to protect persons who may be placed at each poll as challengers, in the decorous performance of that duty.

JOHN J. KENNEDY, Superintendent.
GEO. W. DILES, Inspector.

SILK MANUFACTURE.

Address by Mr. B. Richardson at the American Institute Fair.

Mr. BRITTON RICHARDSON, of Yonkers, delivered an address last evening at the American Institute Fair on "The Culture and Manufacture of Silk." A large and very attentive audience was present. Mr. RICHARDSON began by alluding to the antiquity of silk manufacture, its introduction into ancient Rome, into Persia, Greece and elsewhere, from China, the Chinese being the first to wind and weave it. Chinese books four thousand years ago describe its culture. In England its manufacture was begun under JAMES I., but climatic changes were against it, and the bulk of the silk used was imported. Notwithstanding this, the silk trade grew in England, until, in the early part of the century, the English silk looms numbered 60,000, and in 1860 they had increased to 110,000, consuming 5,500,000 pounds of silk, and producing goods worth $65,000,000. This royal industry is now prostrated, and the cry of distress is heard in the places which were heretofore the great centres of the silk industry. The speaker then read extracts from English journals, giving an account of the misery existing in Macclesfield, a silk town in the County of Cheshire, once employing 12,000 weavers. He then spoke of silk and silk manufactures in our own country. England always has felt her inability to produce raw silk. As early as the time of JAMES I., the colonists of America were encouraged by bounties and forced by penalties to cultivate the mulberry and raise silk. The mother of GEORGE III. wore a dress of American silk. Earl CHESTERFIELD and President STILES, of Yale, also wore robes of American silk; but the raising of silk in this country was never a commercial success. Great attention was paid to silk raising in Massachusetts and Connecticut as well as in Pennsylvania and New-Jersey before the Revolution, and stimulated by the "Mori Multicaulis fever," the product of raw silk in this country reached, in 1840, 40,000 pounds. At the last Paris Exposition the finest cocoons exhibited were from California. The first silk factories here were engaged in making sewing silk, in which branch we now beat the world, and hold undisputed possession of the home market. Notwithstanding the depression which followed the Mori Multicaulis fever, the silk factories which had been established in Northampton, Mass., Mansfield, Conn., and other places are now flourishing. The machinery of a factory at Dedham, Mass., was transferred to Paterson, N. J., whence sprang the Murray Hill of that city, from which again sprang the Paterson and other mills in Paterson. The extensive works at Hartford and Manchester show the vitality of the silk industry, they having lived and grown through all hindrances. To the manufacture of sewing silk were added trimmings, upholstery goods, cords and tassels, neck-ties, bindings, braids, ribbons, &c. The fortunes of the trade have varied somewhat with the different policies of the Government until the adoption of the present tariff in 1862. Since then the trade has prospered and progressed, a large capital has been invested in it, and it has found steady work and good wages for many thousands of hands, chiefly women and young persons of both sexes. For the past four or five years vigorous efforts have been made to weave broad silks, poplins, grosgrains, satins, serges, foulards, &c., for dress goods and other purposes. Of the success of their efforts you may judge from what you see in the silk department of this Fair. Some of the goods so made are sold as foreign goods, and some, I am proud to say, are honestly sold as American silks. The speaker urged upon the ladies to rise above the prejudice in favor of foreign goods, and to buy only those silks made by the nimble fingers of their poorer sisters. We at present import raw silk to the amount of about $20,000,000 per annum, and the value of silk goods made in the United States may safely be taken at $60,000,000. The greatest silk centre is Paterson, N. J., where there are now sixteen factories, running 75,000 spindles, preparing silk threads, that is, throwing silk, mostly for weaving. The hands employed are 5,000. The wages paid per annum, $1,500,000. The capital invested, $5,000,000. In Philadelphia there are twenty factories, employing 400 men and 1,500 girls and women, whose wages amount annually to $250,000. The capital invested is estimated at $2,500,000. In the City of New-York there are 1,000 to 1,500 hands employed in making trimmings, weaving ribbons and dress goods, the invested capital being $2,500,000. Besides these, we have factories at Yonkers, Schoharie and other places in New-York State; at Hartford, Manchester, Mansfield, Willimantic and other towns and cities in Connecticut; at Northampton, Florence, Williamsburg, Canton and other towns in Massachusetts. The speaker concluded by expressing the hope that the time would never come when the cry for cheap goods would compel American artisans to pitt up with the pauper wages now paid in Europe. The address was loudly applauded.

Sharp Practice—Caution to Express Agents.

A few days since a respectably-attired individual called at the store of Messrs. BROWNE & SPAULDING, jewelers, and selected a fine watch and chain, intended, as he represented, for presentation on the part of a club in the country to their President, and directed those gentlemen to forward, at once by express the package, valued at $300, to Adams, Jefferson County, N. Y. The package, being shipped as directed, marked C. O. D., they promptly awaited the receipt of their money. Instead of which they were somewhat surprised on receiving, by the hands of the express messenger, a document to the following effect:

Agent of Wells-Fargo Union Express Company, Adams, N. Y.:

Package for GEORGE H. SLOAN, marked C. O. D., you will please deliver to him, as we have received payment for the same since forwarding, and oblige

E. S. & CO.

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LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

On Sunday next interesting services will be held at the Welsh Methodist Calvinistic Church, in Thirteenth-street, near Second-avenue. In the morning at 10 o'clock Rev. RYAN EVANS, who arrived from Wales on Monday last, will preach. At P. M. Vespers, discourses will be by Rev. HOWEL POWELL. Will preach, and in the evening, at 7 o'clock, Rev. MORGAN ROBERTS and Rev. Mr. POWELL will deliver sermons. The attendance of Welsh people on these occasions will doubtless be very large.

"Ned Buntline" will lecture in the Lexington-avenue M. E. Church, (corner Fifty-second-street) this (Friday) evening, his subject being "Temperance, and Sanctimoniousness of California, as connected therewith." Mr. BORDEN

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ALEXANDER—BICKERSON.—At Madison-square Church, on Thursday, Oct. 28, by Rev. Dr. Adams, Mr. CHAS. A. ALEXANDER, to Miss JULIA A. BICKERSON, second daughter of the late R. H. Winslow, all of New-York.

BRITTON—STILLWELL.—At the Mottam-street Church, on Thursday, Oct. 28, by Rev. T. Ralston Smith, D. D., CHARLES M. BRITTON to HANNA, second daughter of J. E. Stillwell, M. D.

DECKER—DECKER.—On Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1869, at the residence of the bride's parents, Havens, N. Y., by Rev. M. W. Cowles, D. D., J. MINOR DECKER, of New-York, to SARA M. DECKER, of the former place.

HOPKINS—WEEKES.—On Wednesday, Oct. 27, at the country residence of the bride's parents, at Tarrytown, N. Y., by Rev. Dr. John D. Wells, of Brooklyn, E. P. HOPKINS, Esq., of Boston, Mass., to Miss EMMA WEEKES, eldest daughter of Alexander F. Weekes, of Brooklyn, E. D. No cards.

RUSSELL—SEYMOUR.—At St. John's Church, in Cooperstown, N. Y., on Tuesday, Oct. 26, by Rev. Mr. Nickerson, Mr. H. F. Russell, of this City, to Miss Ella M., only daughter of the late Charles Seymour, Esq., of the former place.

TYERS—MCBRIDE.—In Lafayette, N. J., on Thursday, Oct. 28, at the Reformed Church, by Rev. W. R. Duryee, EDWARD TYERS, of Savannah, Ga., to JULIA, daughter of James McBride, of the former place.

MACADAM—MURDOCH.—On Wednesday, Oct. 27, at Zion Church, by Right Rev. Bishop Southgate, LOUIS MACADAM to JOSEPHINE, eldest daughter of Thomas Murdoch, Esq., all of this City. No cards.

MULLIGAN—FULLER.—On Tuesday, Oct. 26, by Rev. Edwin P. Rexford, CLARVALLADE MULLIGAN to SARAH MABEL, daughter of the late Dudley S. Fuller.

OLDERSHAW—COLEY.—On Wednesday, Oct. 27, at Brooklyn, by Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D., JOHN OLDERSHAW, of New-York, to Miss FANNIE M. COLEY, of Waterbury, Conn.

PITKIN—AGGAR.—At Flushing, on Wednesday, Oct. 27, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. Thomas A. Jackson, WALTER S. PITKIN to JULIA A., daughter of Walter Aggar, Esq.

COLT—AUSTIN.—At South Norwalk, Conn., on Tuesday, Oct. 26, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. David B. Austin, AUGUSTUS THOMAS COLT, of New-York, to MARY BURTON, daughter of the officiating clergyman.

BEMBEN—DITMARS.—At Flushing, L. I., on Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1869, at the residence of the bride's mother, by Rev. C. Brett, STEPHEN BEMBEN, of Flushing, to CORNELIA, daughter of the late James Ditmars.

SMITH—GILL.—On Wednesday, Oct. 27, at Newark, N. J., by Rev. James P. Wilson, D. D., SAMUEL F. SMITH, of Orange, N. J., to SARAH GILL, daughter of the late Benjamin Gill, of Philadelphia.

TAYLOR—FELLOWES.—At New-Haven, Conn., on Tuesday, Oct. 26, in the Fourth Church, by the Pastor, Rev. E. L. Cheney, JOHN D. TAYLOR, of Brooklyn, and EMMA W., daughter of R. S. Fellowes, of New-Haven.

TREDWELL—PECK.—At Elm Church, Little Neck, L. I., on Wednesday, Oct. 27, by Rev. Edward M. Beers, JOHN H. TREDWELL, of Hempstead, to JULIA C., daughter of the late Elijah Peck, Jr., of Great Neck, L. I.

DIED.

BOORMAN.—On Tuesday morning, Oct. 26, Mrs. MARY WHELPS BOORMAN, widow of the late James Boorman, in the 86th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, without further invitation, on Friday, Oct. 29, at 11 o'clock A. M., from her late residence, No. 13 Washington-square.

BIRD.—Suddenly, on Wednesday, Oct. 27, MARTHA JANE, wife of Wm. Gilmor Bird, and daughter of the late James O. Ward.

Friends of the family are invited to attend her funeral on Saturday, 30th inst., at 2 o'clock, from her late residence, Clinton-av., west side, seventh house north of Myrtle-av., Brooklyn.

BROOKS.—On Tuesday, Oct. 26, MITCHELL C. BROOKS, in the 54th year of his age.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Friday, at 4 P. M., at his late residence, No. 31 Lexington-av.

BRINCKERHOFF.—At Brier Cliff, near Sing Sing, on Thursday morning, Oct. 28, ALETHEA GARRIGUE, aged 21 years, wife of Peter B. Brinckerhoff and daughter of the late Henry McFarlan, of New-York.

Funeral services at All Saints, Brier Cliff, on Saturday, Oct. 30, at 12 M. Friends, relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend. A special train will be in waiting at the depot upon the arrival of the 10 o'clock Hudson River Railroad train from New-York.

DAY.—Suddenly, MARIAH, wife of William John Davison.

Notice of funeral to-morrow.

DODD.—At Bloomfield, N. J., on Tuesday, Oct. 26, ISAAC D. DODD, M. D., aged 76 years.

Funeral on Saturday, Oct. 30, at the Presbyterian Church, at 2 P. M. Friends desirous of seeing the remains can do so at his late residence, on that day, previous to the hour of the funeral service.

BURR.—Suddenly, on Thursday morning, Oct. 28, MARY ANN BURR.

The relatives and friends of the family, and those of her brothers, Edw. W. and Geo. Burr, and brother-in-law, Geo. W. Ward, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral on Sunday, afternoon, at 3 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 121 Allen-st., without further invitation.

DE PEYSTER.—At Brookline, Mass., on Thursday, Oct. 28, JANE, widow of the late Captain F. A. De Peyster.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

DUNLAP.—On Thursday, Oct. 28, GEORGE BURLINGHAM, youngest son of Dr. R. and Ellen K. Dunlap, aged 5 years and 10 months.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, at 2 P. M., on Saturday, Oct. 30, at 3 o'clock P. M.

DILLE.—At Passaic, on Wednesday, Oct. 27, ALETHA V

LOST IN A FOG.

Wreck of the Seneca Steamer Nevada—The Vessel and Cargo a Total Loss—Passengers and Crew Saved.

From the San Francisco Bulletin, Oct. 21.

News was received here yesterday noon of the total loss of the North Pacific Transportation Company's steamship *Sierra Nevada*, on the Southern coast, on Sunday night last. From Mr. Hughes, the Purser of the ill-fated vessel, who arrived here last night, we learn the following particulars:

The *Sierra Nevada*, Captain J. C. Bogart, sailed from San Francisco, bound for San Luis Obispo and way ports, on Saturday morning last, with a full freight and a large number of passengers. She landed passengers and freight at Santa Cruz and Monterey, leaving the latter port at 3 P. M. Sunday, Oct. 17, with forty-two passengers. As night closed in the weather became thick, a dense fog settling down so that it was impossible to see beyond a few ship's lengths. As she was ahead of time, the vessel was going at a slow rate of speed. There was but little wind, the sea was comparatively calm, the vessel was on her usual course, and the officers and crew felt no uneasiness, or even conviction that they would be in San Luis Obispo early the next day. About 10 o'clock P. M. Purser Hughes, who had retired, experienced a shock as if the vessel had been struck by a heavy wave. This was followed a few moments later by a second and much more severe shock, which nearly threw him off his feet.

Going on deck, he found the mate in breaking over the bow of the vessel, the passengers rushing about panic stricken, and a scene of general confusion ensued. At this time the vessel was lifted up by the sea and dashed against the reef with such violence that her bottom was crushed in and her hull filled with water. Such was the violence of the shock that her smoke stack was broken off and fell over the side into the sea. The vessel lay on her beamends, one of the wheelhouses being above and the other below water. So complete was the wreck that in thirty minutes from the time of the first shock the vessel filled and keeled over. It was found that the reef on which the struck was about three miles north of Piedras Blancas, and about fifteen miles from San Simeon.

It became evident from the first that the vessel could not be saved, and preparations were immediately made for rescuing the passengers and crew. The lifeboats, four or five in number, were lowered, and the work of transferring the passengers commenced. This occupied but a short time, and was accomplished without serious accident to any one. One passenger, in his fright, fell overboard, but was rescued. In a damaged condition, a lady passenger fell in coming up deck, and broke a rib. The conduct of the passengers, with few exceptions, was admirable. The ladies were even more cool, self-possessed and heroic than the men, and stood the fatigue and privation of the night nobly. The crew did their duty manfully; the discipline of the ship being rigidly maintained through the whole of the terrible ordeal of danger and imminent death. Captain Bogart, one of the oldest commanders in the service, proved every inch the hero. He was the last to leave the sinking vessel, and the example of his coolness and self-possession was potential, alike upon passengers and crew.

After the passengers had been all put in the boats, the Purser returned to his stateroom, secured the treasure and the ship's papers, when, in company with the Captain, he left the sinking vessel, trying to the last the effect of the fog and the uncertainty of their position, no attempt was made to land. The boats were fastened together, as anchor was cast, and the shipwrecked people anxiously waited for the dawn of day.

At daylight the fog floated off, when the anchor was weighed, and the boats pulled down to San Simeon Bay, a distance of sixteen miles from the scene of the disaster, which was reached at 10 A. M. Here the passengers were landed, when the Captain immediately dispatched a boat to return to the wreck, in hopes of rescuing the baggage and any other article which might be obtained without too great risk. On arriving at the wreck, however, she was found to be almost totally submerged, and, we believe, little or nothing was saved.

At the San Simeon landing teams were obtained, and the passengers conveyed to Cambria, some sixteen miles distant. From here they were taken in wagons to San Luis Obispo, where they struck the stage, some returning north, and some pursuing their journey southward.

The crew numbered thirty-six. There were forty-two passengers, including six ladies and three children, a list of which we give below:

C. J. Arbuckle, R. F. Walker, C. H. Burton, P. Page, T. C. Hayes, E. F. Taylor, W. Peel, E. Pool, T. Bayer, D. Magnel, W. L. Carroll, R. Kleiber, J. O'Brien, M. Dore, Miss Mary Hollister, Mrs. Dies, Governor Wood and wife, of Illinois, Mrs. Ransom, two daughters and son, J. Holmes, S. J. Lynch, P. Delaty, F. P. Gorman, J. Atkins.

Among the steerage passengers were a number of Chinese fishermen, bound for San Louis Obispo. When the ship struck they made for their boat, which was on deck, into which they huddled, apparently expecting no sympathy or assistance from the other fellow-passengers, and resolved to stick to the last to their own frail craft. It was with the greatest difficulty that they could be induced to leave it, so that it could be launched. This was done, however, and they were safely got aboard and as safely landed.

We have already referred to the heroic conduct of Captain BOGART, but the record of brave deeds would be imperfect if we failed to speak of the conduct of JAMES LIBBY, a seaman, who twice risked his life in search of blankets for the use of the ladies.

The *Sierra Nevada* was one of the oldest steamers afloat. Her history is an eventful one. She has done long and efficient service, and have the opinion of many ought to have been some time ago withdrawn. We understand that she had no insurance.

Base Ball—Mutuals vs. Atlantics—Defeat of the Former.

Yesterday the home-and-home match between the Mutuals and Atlantics was played on the Union Grounds, and resulted in favor of the latter. A large crowd of spectators witnessed it, regardless of the snow and sleet. The game itself was well contested. All hands were charitably referred to the boundary of fingers by the cold air. The following is the summary:

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	Runs.
Atlantics	1	2	0	4	3	1	0	2	0	13
Mutuals	0	3	1	4	0	0	0	1	0	10

Umpire—Mr. Tracy, of the Eckfords.

This afternoon the Unions and Orientals play on the Union Grounds.

The Eckfords and Atlantics cannot agree on the ground for their home-and-home match.

The Weighmaster's Frauds.

The examination into the case of Frank Weir, charging him with complicity in the Weighmaster's frauds alleged against General Thomas W. Egan, was resumed before United States Commissioner Shields yesterday. Edward Wilkins, formerly assistant foreman under Egan, testified in regard to the pay rolls kept by Weir, showing that several men's names were placed on them which he (witness) did not have on the time rolls. The case was subsequently adjourned until the 1st prox.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Messrs. A. D. Mellick & Brother yesterday sold the Pillot estate at Orange, N. J. This was a peremptory sale, and a very desirable property. The consequence was an attendance of about 150 and a very respectable party. Although the entertainment was enlivened by a snow squall, it seemed to have no effect upon the bidding, which was extremely spirited, and the competition manifested was quite lively. The house was first sold and brought $80,750.

Mansion and 20 acres	$80,750
24½ acres on Mount Pleasant Turnpike	2,400
20½ acres adjoining	2,250
3 acres on pike corner of Gregory-av.	3,075
1 acres on Gregory-av.	1,575
1 acres adjoining on the south	1,600
18 acres on Montclair road, adjoining the Mellier property	16,150
5 acres on Northfield road, corner Gregory-av.	3,500
5 acres on Gregory-av., adjoining last	3,600
5 acres on Gregory-av., adjoining last	3,725
1 acres on pike corner Scott-st. and Northfield road	3,100
1 acres on same side Gregory-av.	4,200
11½ acres corner Northfield road and private road	3,500
2½ acres adjoining on private road	2,300
Total	$131,875

To-day no sales will be made. For the rest of the week the auctioneers will have a rest and an opportunity to prepare for the week to come, which, though it will not be as large in country property as one now closing, yet offers some quite desirable property.

Transfers of Real Estate.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman as waitress or chambermaid; understands French; is perfect in all its branches; no objection to the country; good references. Call at No. 203 East 29th-st., top floor.

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WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE GIRL, A situation in a private family as first-class cook; one who understands her business thoroughly, and is willing and obliging; the best of City references from her last place. Call this day at No. 24 West 16th-st.

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WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTESTant girl, a situation as chambermaid and to assist with the washing, or to do plain sewing. Can be seen for two days at No. 141 East 13th-st., between 2d and 3d ave.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable girl as first-class waitress; has the best of City references; would prefer to assist with chamber work if required; has the best of City references of her last place. Call for two days at No. 118 West 24th-st., top floor.

WANTED—BY TWO RESPECTABLE GIRLS, one as cook, washer and ironer, the other as chambermaid and waitress; has the best City references. Call for two days at No. 236 East 26th-st., fourth floor; ring the bell.

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WANTED—BY A COMPETENT PERSON, A situation as cook, washer and ironer in a small private family; best City references. Call at No. 244 West 36th-st., between 6th and 7th ave.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman as first-class waitress; has good City references from her last place. Call at No. 106 7th-av., near 20th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable girl as good cook; is willing to assist with the washing and ironing; four years' reference from last place. Call at No. 412 7th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY AN EXPErienced Protestant woman as cook; no objection to assist in washing; good reference. Call for two days at No. 414 West 43d-st.

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WANTED—BY A FIRST-CLASS OPERATOR in family sewing by the day, week or month; has her own machine; best of City references required. Call at No. 128 East 4th-st., between 2d and 3d ave.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable married woman, as wet nurse. Apply for two days at No. 208 East 40th-st.

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Wednesday, 31	3:00 P. M.	Wednesday, 31	7:30 A. M.
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SOCIAL SCIENCE.

Closing Sessions of the American Association.

Abstracts of the Papers Presented.

The Administration of Criminal Justice in this City Criticised.

The Health Laws and the International Code Discussed.

The sessions of the American Social Science Association, which have been held at the lecture room of the Historical Society, in this City, for the last three days, closed last evening. Five important papers were read before the Association yesterday, but want of space forbids more than brief abstracts of their contents.

The first paper at the afternoon session was read by Joh. D. Potts, President of the Empire Transportation Company, the subject being

TRANSPORTATION AS A SCIENCE.

In this paper Mr. Potts sketched the progress made in modern times over the primitive modes of transportation, and then pointed out the improvements yet to be made to reduce the business of transportation to a science. The paper contained many valuable hints to railroad men, together with a large amount of information relative to the carrying trade in this country. The indispensable requisites to cheap and rapid transportation by rail, would be found in future to be double tracks devoted exclusively to freight.

Mr. SHEPPARD HOMANS, Actuary of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, followed with a paper on

LIFE INSURANCE.

Life insurance, he said, has increased so rapidly during the past few years that it has now become one of the most important economies of our country. It is essentially a local economy. It has, indeed, been often adduced as a measure of the social advancement and condition of a people. Be that as it may, it may safely be said that it can only flourish in an advanced civilization. Depending more than any other human transaction upon confidence, and that to extend necessarily for many years into the future, generally, indeed, until the death of the person by whom the benefit is purchased, its existence and growth is at once a proof of the confidence of a people in the stability of its Government and in their own commercial integrity. The growth and present position in the United States is one of the most astonishing facts in the age of wonderful developments. May that growth never be checked or that confidence abated by the want of stability in our Government or by the want of integrity in our people, or among those intrusted with the management of our institutions. Life insurance has for its basis the laws governing the duration of human life, or the chances of living and dying in a given period, combined with the improvement of money by interest. A competent knowledge of these laws is essential to its successful prosecution. While nothing is more uncertain than the duration of life in the case of an individual, yet nothing can be predicted in future with more certainty than the duration of life, or rather the rates of mortality in a sufficiently large number of cases. The census returns of different nations and the investigations of the mortality experience among insured lives, &c., incline us to base our calculations as to the probabilities of living or dying in future among a given number of persons of each age, with all the confidence and precision resulting from the application of natural laws. The mortuary experience of seventeen British companies was published in 1843, from which is deduced the actuaries or combined experience table of mortality. The experience of twenty of the largest British companies, published in 1869, resulting in the actuaries table; the investigations of Dr. WILLIAM FARR in regard to the mortality of England and Wales is shown by the census returns of Great Britain for 1841, 1851 and 1861, resulting in the English life tables Nos. 1, 2 and 3, and the mortuary experience of individual companies in the United Kingdom and in Great Britain, together with the investigations of the insurance companies of Massachusetts as to the mortality in that Commonwealth, and the most reliable contributions to our knowledge of the laws governing the duration of human life, and the probabilities of living or dying, not merely in a miscellaneous community, but among the special class of males from which are taken the persons insured—those and other investigations enable us to predict with just certainty within certain limits, the mortality will be in future among a certain number of persons now living. They show us, moreover, many points of great interest in regard to the comparative mortality at different ages and among different classes in the community, the effect of occupation, and especially of selection, as it is called, by which persons of unusual health, &c., are selected from the whole number of applicants for insurance. American experience shows that the mortality among persons insured in our companies is less than that among persons of similar ages in any other country or classes, so far as is known. This is chiefly owing to the fact that a large proportion have but recently passed a successful medical examination; but it is also a fact that the vitality at middle ages, say from thirty to sixty, is undoubtedly greater among Americans than among persons in similar circumstances in other countries. At first look, however, the excess in mortality at advanced ages, and our life tables are constructed with special regard to this point. Contributions to our Knowledge of vital statistics are being made every year, chiefly from the experience of companies insuring lives, which affords the best evidence in practice, especially when compared with accurate census returns of the whole population. As a practical result by assuming rates of mortality higher, there will in all probability be experienced, and rates of interest (generally 4 per cent.) lower than that which may be anticipated under the most unfavorable circumstances in the future, and with the addition of a margin with which to guard against adverse contingencies, it may be justly claimed for our life insurance companies that their business is based upon the immutable laws of nature, which, if not violated, will lead to results as certainty as anything earthly can; that time itself will gradually change for future, to present and to pass.

CLAIMS TO PUBLIC CONFIDENCE.

Having shown the satisfactory nature of the basis of life insurance, let us now examine its claims to public confidence. The one thing needful is that the accumulations, or reserves, as they are technically called, shown by the laws of mortality to be sufficient, should be safely and separate and in possession of the company. It is to be hoped that each company has in its own employ a person competent to determine by the application of these laws the proper amount of reserve each year on every policy; but we have an additional safeguard in the State officials appointed to watch over the interests of policyholders. Hon. ELIJAH WRIGHT, the first Insurance Commissioner of Massachusetts, devised and successfully carried into execution a plan by which the contingent liabilities of each company transacting business in that Commonwealth may be correctly estimated. This has been done annually in the case of each company by Mr. WRIGHT, and by his successor, Hon. JOHN E. SEDFORD, for eleven years. The basis of the valuation in Massachusetts is the combined experience or Actuaries' table of mortality, and 4 per cent. interest. In New-York State the basis is a table deduced solely from the experience of our larger companies, in which the results of such selection are eliminated, and 4½ per cent. interest. Having an accurate estimate of the contingent liabilities of a company, it is only necessary to compare the sum with the assets to determine its condition. A deficiency of assets and liability under its policies is given side by side each year in the Massachusetts insurance reports, and will be given hereafter in the New-York reports. Unless the returns are inaccurately or fraudulently made, then statements can be relied upon so that it will be impossible for a bankrupt company to escape detection and exposure, and in this way the great evil resulting from such disgraceful failures is have lately been seen in England will be prevented. It cannot be claimed that the insurance in the United States is without a blot. Only the minority, indeed, but yet many and grievous; and they are at least partially incident to its youth and vendetta growth. Nevertheless, notwithstanding these defects life insurance has done and will do in future an immense amount of good among our people. Many a dying man has been comforted by the reflection that his wife or family will be provided for, and many a sick man has been saved from insanity or anxiety by the remembrance of his own careful foresight. Many of these defects there is no reason why a large percentage of all the surplus earnings of a whole people should not be invested in some form of life insurance.

EVENING SESSION.

At the opening of the evening session, which was largely attended, the President introduced Hon. C. RADBERT, Esq., late Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of this City, who read a paper upon

THE ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

This was a topic, he said, upon which, in common with that of the administration of civil justice, the public mind at the day is greatly agitated. It is claimed, with what justice it is not the province of this paper to decide, that the present administration of criminal justice is feeble and lax, and a remedy is anxiously sought. The agitation is useful, for it shows that there is no question of greater importance to society, and none upon the just determination of which the stability of our institutions and the very existence of the social fabric more directly depend. Such a subject, with its numerous branches and details, demands elaborate treatment, and this purpose of the paper will have been accomplished in offering food for speculation and discussion. It is proposed, therefore, to consider very briefly and generally, first, the cause of the alleged laxity in the execution of the existing Criminal law; second, to suggest some changes in detail; and third, to outline a proposed fundamental change in the governing spirit of the system. First, then, with respect to the laxity of administration. Here at the very good therefore the substance of a dependent indictment. The new Judges at brief intervals clearly stands in the way of a firm, thorough and adequate administration of any kind of justice. The system has been tried and found wanting. It is certainly not adapted to our present human nature. Its tendency is to weaken and pull down the strong, while that of a life tenure is to strengthen and uphold the weak. It is not sufficient, then, for the thinker to point out existing defects, to develop plans of reform or to originate any general system, juster in principle, more lucid and harmonious in detail than the present, so long as the agents are wanting to execute and give it practical effect. The remedy is with the people. When they are prepared for the life tenure, whether by appointment or election it matters little, with large and ample salaries they will have firm and independent public servants free from feverish unrest, tranquil and contented, and with no incentive to any other, certainly to no lower, ambition than the acquisition of an honorable reputation as able and upright jurists.

Passing from this main difficulty, acknowledging that it stands in the way of the full and effective administration of any system, conceding in effect the weakness of the motive power, it is still worthy of consideration whether something may not meantime be done for the improvement of the machinery. There are undoubtedly defects of detail, errors, both of commission and omission, which of themselves lead to grave abuses, and yet may readily be corrected. These set out among others are:

1. The detention of witnesses.
2. The laxity of appeal in the State Courts.
3. The inadequacy of appeal in the Federal Courts.
4. The paid jury system in the Federal Courts.
5. The unanimity required of the Petit Jury.
6. The Grand Jury.

First, with respect to the detention of witnesses. If a respectable citizen has the misfortune to witness a brawl between two ruffians, resulting in bloodshed, he may be compelled to furnish bail for his appearance as a witness or go to jail. The result is that not unfrequently the decent witness suffers imprisonment while the culprit goes at large upon bail. Thus instead of encouraging witnesses to come forward and aid the administration of justice, the law practically affixes a penalty to disinterested zeal for the public safety and welfare. Indeed, it has come to be considered dangerous to witness an affray in our streets. There is the immediate danger incurred in rendering assistance to the weak, coupled with the agreeable prospect of being locked up for one's pains, and finally perhaps of being threatened with death upon the way to the witness stand by the prisoner and his confederates. It is wonderful under such circumstances that good Samaritans are rare, and that the prudent citizen makes a hasty escape from anything which looks like crime! The remedy will be considered in another connection. Next, as to the laxity of appeal in the State Courts. A writ of error lies in the first instance to the Supreme Court sitting in *banc*. From thence an appeal to the Court of Appeals. The hearing in the Supreme Court might with profit be dispensed with. It adds to the expense and delay, without binding either the People or the prisoner. If the conviction be affirmed the prisoner appeals. If a new trial be awarded him the people appeal, and the decision is not unfrequently reversed and the original conviction affirmed. Attention is meantime diverted from the crime, the prisoner and his counsellors are forgotten, and the public faith in certain and speedy justice becomes weakened. One direct appeal to the Court of last resort would be all-sufficient, and the English system of requiring an *ex parte* application for a *rule nisi* against a new trial would stop frivolous appeals. The redundance of appeal in the State is only equaled by the deficiency of appeal in the Federal Courts. There the prisoner is tried in the Circuit, and it is there that his motion in arrest of judgment or for a new trial is heard. The same officer who presides at *nisi prius*, alone constitutes the tribunal in *banc*. It is assumed, perhaps by those of strong faith believed, that the moment he takes his seat in the latter capacity he becomes transfigured into a kind of high appellate, being wholly disconnected from his lower *nisi prius* self, and that his human nature is left below. He is asked to reverse himself, to take back his opinions, to acknowledge his errors. It need scarcely be added that swift law is meted out to the offender, and that no complaint has ever yet been made of justice being frustrated by the frequency of new trials. Then, the prisoner is tried by a paid petit jury. The panel is small, with a per diem of $2 in lieu, and that, whether the juror's time is occupied or not. The twelve men are actually impaneled of course more than earn their compensation. But the remainder may go about their business. Thus, in a small way personal interest is fostered. There are those who would seek such a position. It becomes, in its fashion, a kind of office and not wholly unbearable to men whose avocations are of such a character as not to be seriously interfered with by an occasional sitting. The tendency of human nature is to lean, sometimes unconsciously it is true, toward even a Government which has small favors to bestow, to continue or to take away at pleasure. In the State Courts, the jurors are selected from a special venire. Note the difference between interest and duty. The former insures an ample attendance. Under the latter system, business frequently comes to a standstill, and jurors have to be almost dragged to their seats. But better, far better to suffer occasional inconvenience resulting from neglect and apathy, terms synonymous with want of interest and an almost insured impartiality, rather than permit the lightest feather of interest to warp the judgment, or a single breath of prejudice to be breathed in the direction of the conscience. Next, the unanimity required of the petit jury. In civil matters, this is a positive absurdity and a flagrant abuse. Yet it is retained for no better reason than that, like many other errors and follies, it was handed down to us from our ancestors. A two-thirds vote decides an impeachment, a majority vote a Schwurgericht, and it is held a fact in only established by unanimity, and that too, upon the verdict of twelve men, generally strangers to one another and drawn indiscriminately from the community. In criminal cases, it may be said that a man should only be convicted upon proof so clear as to be convincing to every mind; but when it is considered with what difficulty twelve minds are brought to concur upon any question, and when allowance is made for caprice, eccentricity, passion, prejudices and friendships, that idea is practically satisfied in requiring a three-fourths vote to convict. Last, the Grand Jury. This body was formerly supposed to be one of the bulwarks of liberty. If so, its day is surely past, for it has come to be regarded as a mere adjunct to public prosecutors, a cumbersome machine for the grinding out of questionable indictments, a vast political power, and, in bad or unscrupulous hands, an engine of oppression, wrong and outrage. Witness the spectacle, neither impossible nor unfrequent, of a Grand Jury in secret session in one room, a Petit Jury impaneled in another, a public prosecutor hovering over the two, and perhaps influencing both; citizens indicted by the one and brought to trial upon short notice before the other. All this, with or without the incident of, but a single appeal to the Judge who tries them. Here is a spectacle with the action of which angels might perhaps be trusted, but where common mortals alone appear upon the scene, fraught with danger to our liberties and subversive of our dearest rights. There is a just antipathy to secret tribunals, or irresponsible bodies sitting in the dark. No man should be put upon his trial without a preliminary hearing and an opportunity of cross-examining the witnesses against him. Then let the magistrate determine, after a fair and open investigation, whether there is a reasonable ground for sending the case before a Court and jury, and subjecting the citizen to the odium of a substantial accusation and a public trial. The Grand Jury being abolished, additional offices are naturally imposed upon the police Magistrates. To each Police Court, as ordinarily constituted, there should then be attached an assistant or deputy of the public prosecutor; also a public defender, a salaried official, whose duty it would be gratuitously to protect the poor, the weak and the simple, in fact, all comers unprovided with competent counsel. This would save a large class of unfortunates from falling into the hands of unworthy practitioners, and would weed the profession of a class of men who disgrace both it and humanity. The tribunals thus constituted should be brought nearer to the people, which of course, would be the elucidation of the truth upon just and scientific principles. Here let the testimony of the witnesses be taken in the presence of the accused and subject to the cross-examination of his counsel. Then set the witnesses free, and upon the trial read the testimony of such of them as have left the country or cannot be produced. It is a wholesome general rule which brings the witnesses face to face with the jury, but it is better to admit of occasional exceptions to this rule than that innocent persons should be subjected to even a temporary imprisonment or liberty. The Magistrate's first duty should be to protect the innocent from calamity. Criminal justice should go far beneath the surface of the particular offence. It should penetrate the court and the motive. The man of blameless life is and to have the same measure meted out to him, either in the shape of good or evil, as to the hardened habitual criminal. The influence of the law is then felt in the daily life and conduct. It offers its penalties to virtue, its warnings to vice. It by

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MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK.....THURSDAY, Oct. 28.

ARRIVED.

Steamship India, (Br.,) Moore, Glasgow Oct. 16, with mdse. and 200 passengers to Allan; Moville 18th, with mdse. and 200 passengers to Allan. Cabin passengers—Rev Dr Cummings, Rev Dr Ferris, Rev Dr Ewing, Rev Dr Hall, Rev Dr Musgrave, Rev Dr Cuyler, Rev Dr Adams, Rev Dr Chambers, Rev Dr Bethune, Rev Dr Ormiston, Rev Dr Lansing, Rev Dr Lansing, Rev Dr Lansing